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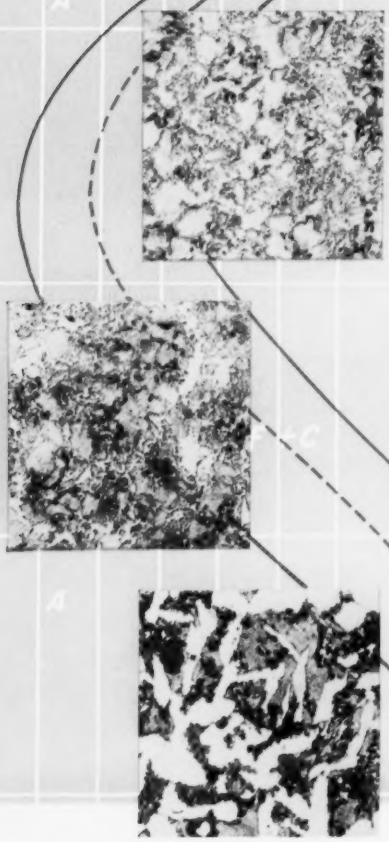

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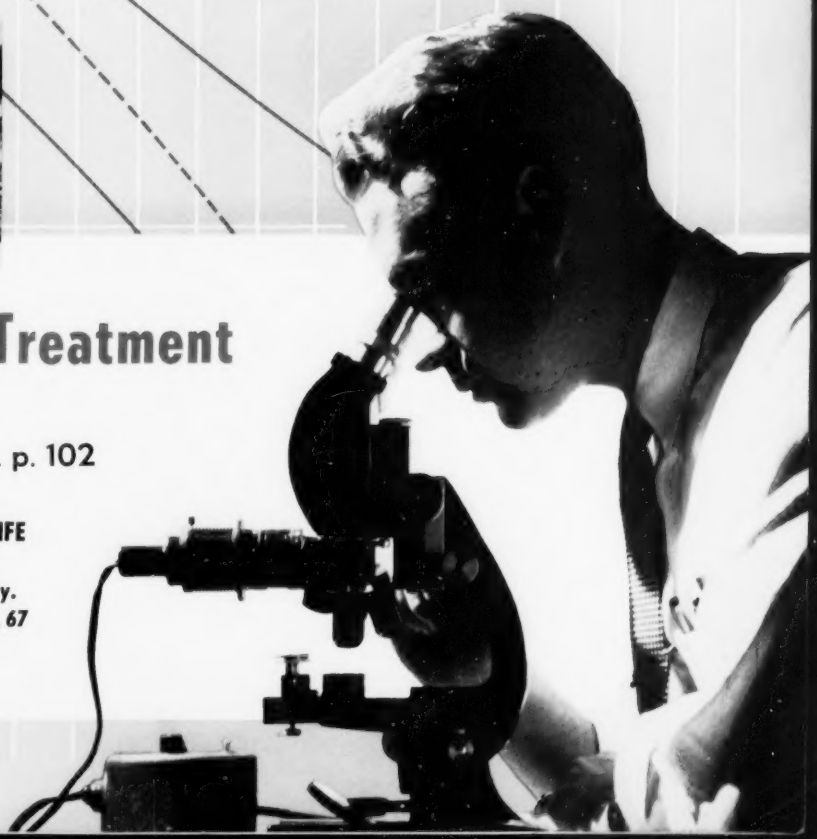

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What Does Grain Size Mean In An Alloy Steel?

This is the third of a series of advertisements dealing with basic facts about alloy steels. Though much of the information is elementary, we believe it will be of interest to many in this field, including men of broad experience who may find it useful to review fundamentals from time to time.

The grain size of alloy steels is understood to mean austenitic or inherent grain size. Austenitic grain size should be distinguished from ferritic grain size, which is the size of the grains in the as-rolled or as-forged condition with the exception of those steels that are austenitic at room temperature. When steel is heated through the critical range (approximately 1350 to 1600 deg F for most steels, depending on the composition), transformation to austenite takes place. The austenite grains are extremely small when first formed, but grow in size as the temperature above the critical range is increased, and, to a limited extent, as the time is increased. It is apparent, therefore, that both time and temperature must be constant in order to obtain reproducible results.

When temperatures are raised materially above the critical range, different steels show wide variations in grain size, depending on the chemical composition and the deoxidation practice used in making the heat. Heats are customarily deoxidized with aluminum, ferrosilicon, or a combination of deoxidizing elements. Steels using aluminum or certain other deoxidizers in carefully-controlled amounts maintain a slow rate of grain growth at 1700 deg F, while heats finished with still other deoxidizers, usually ferrosilicon, develop relatively large austenitic grain size at temperatures somewhat below 1700 deg F.

The McQuaid-Ehn test is the one ordinarily used for determining grain size. Steel is rated with a set of eight ASTM charts that are compared one at a time with a specially-prepared steel sample until one is found to match. Number 1 grain size, the coarsest, shows 1½ grains per sq in. of steel area examined at 100 diameters magnification. The finest chart is Number 8, which shows 96 or more grains per sq in. at the same magnification.

PROPERTIES AFFECTED BY GRAIN SIZE

Fine-grain steels (grain sizes 5, 6, 7, and 8) do not harden as deeply as coarse-grain steels, and they have less tendency to crack during heat-treatment. Fine-grain steels exhibit greater toughness and shock-resistance—properties that make them suitable for applications involving moving loads and high impact. Practically all alloy steels are produced with fine-grain structures.

Coarse-grain steels exhibit definite machining superiority. For this reason a few parts which are intricately machined are made to coarse-grain practice.

The correct specification and determination of grain structure in steel is a subject that has been given long study by Bethlehem metallurgists. If you would like suggestions on this or any other problem concerning alloy steels, these men will be glad to give you all possible help.

In addition to manufacturing the entire range of AISI alloy steels, Bethlehem produces special-analysis steels and the full range of carbon grades.

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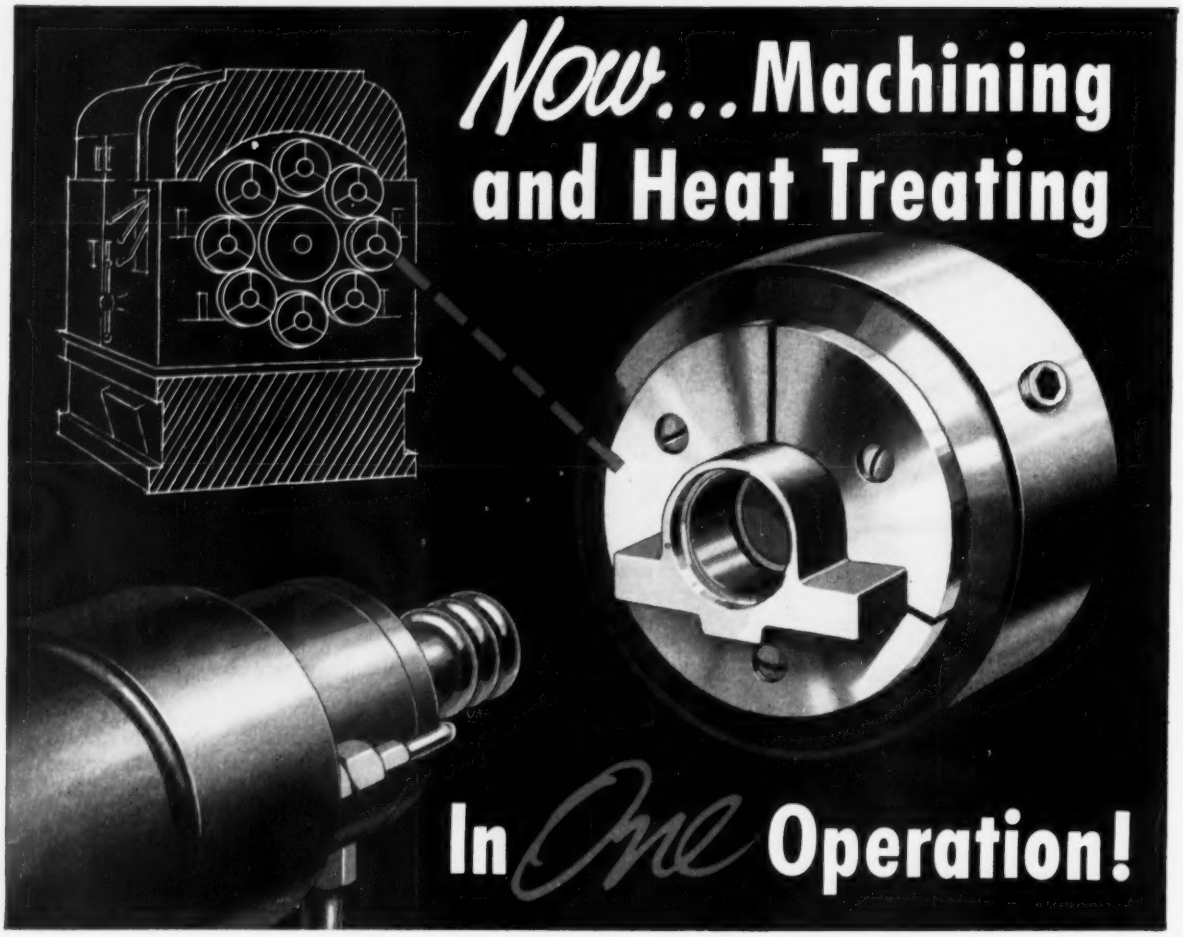

with TOCCO Induction Heating

Mechanics Universal Joint Division of Borg-Warner Corporation now combines automatic heat-treating and metal-working operations on the same machine!*

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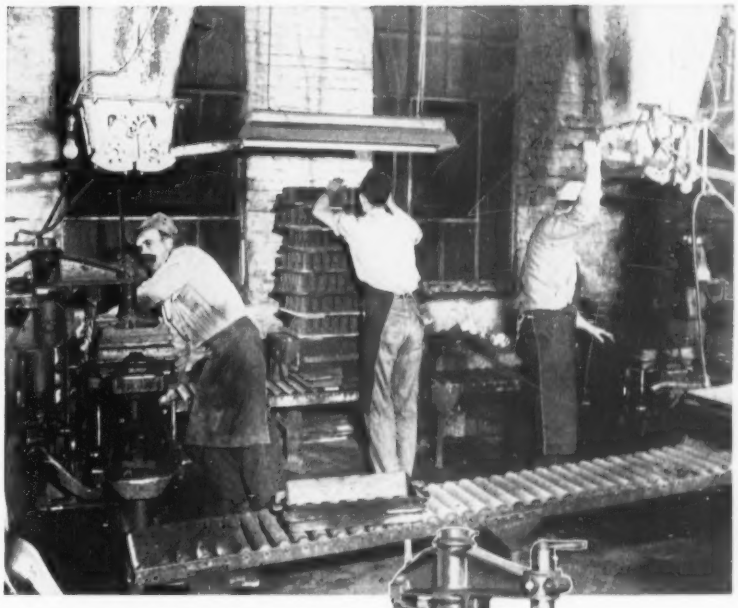
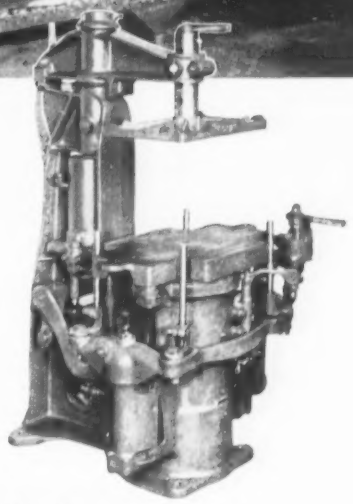


More efficient, lower cost production of complex molds is being realized daily in both the small and large foundry by replacing existing equipment with Osborn Vibrating Jolt Squeeze Strippers. That's because with Osborn's effective vibrating jolt, harder molds with more accurate contours on intricate patterns can be produced in less time than with conventional machines.

Here is how a three-man team, using Osborn Vibrating Jolt Squeeze Strippers, now produces 20% more molds a day per man in the production of fittings and ornamental castings at the Indiana Brass Company, Frankfort, Indiana.

The Osborn operator at the right makes the drags. The man in the center sets the cores. The Osborn operator at the left makes copes and closes the molds. Net output per man per day is 250 molds . . . compared to 200 molds a day formerly turned out by an experienced molder.



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The Osborn Vibrating Jolt Squeeze Stripper is particularly suited for molding small valves, ornamental brass, soil pipe fittings and other castings where molds are reasonably shallow and separate cope and drag patterns are used.

Regardless of the type of castings you now produce, your Osborn representative can show how to simplify molding operations with improved Osborn machines. Write The Osborn Manufacturing Company, Dept. EE-16, 5401 Hamilton Avenue, Cleveland 14, Ohio.

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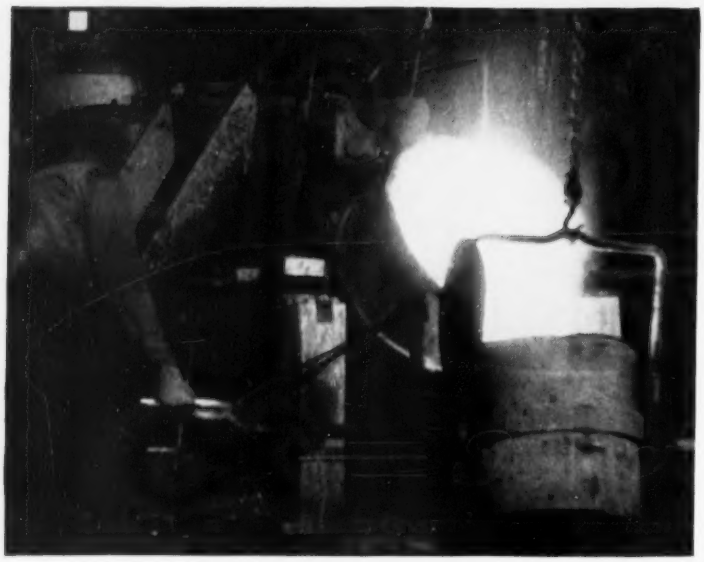
about Radiant foundry coke



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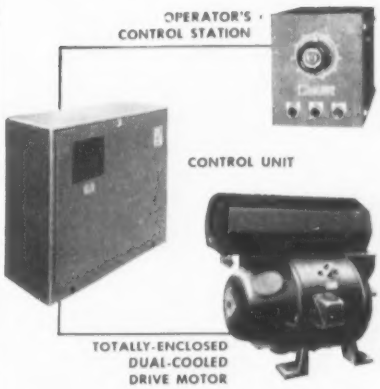

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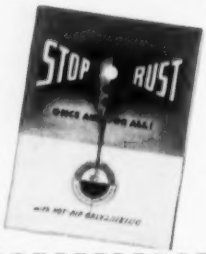

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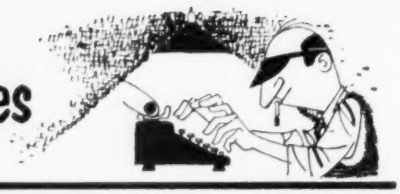

Can Opener Come-uppance

Are you ready for Can Opener Week? May 3 thru 8 has been so designated, and a nationally organized inter-industry drive is under way to promote the sale of higher-priced and better-profit can openers.

Can openers, it seems, are trying to better themselves. They are tired of their "5 and 10 cent" level in the economic order and want to go high brow. Fact is, they want to get out of the wild and messy jumble of the kitchen table drawer and get up on the wall where the air is fresher and where the baby can openers can be brought up in a more orderly, more pleasant environment.

Plans call for 3000 salesmen, representing 600 hardware wholesalers and can-opener manufacturers contacting 50,000 department, hardware, variety and grocery stores during the nationwide drive.

Good luck to the lowly can opener in its campaign for well-deserved recognition. Just imagine the predicament you would be in, sir, were it not for that unsung hero of the modern kitchen.

Greatest invention since the service station rest room . . . and it's one the Russians can't claim.

Wanted: Second-hand Corn Cobs

As of right now this typewriter and two badly battered index fingers are for sale. We're going into the supermarket business with a clientele made up exclusively of steel companies.

This sudden and completely impulsive decision is prompted by the fact that we've just learned that tremendous quantities of sugar, salt, molasses, suet, soap, palm oil and cereal are all necessary ingredients in the making of steel.

Sugar, we understand, is used in the open-hearth department where it is sprinkled inside ingot molds to form a slippery surface to prevent the steel from sticking. Molasses is mixed with sand in the making of mold cores. Salt serves to break the scale from the surface of steel slabs when they are being rolled into plates; also serves as a fluxing agent in open-hearth ladles. Both tallow and suet are used to polish stainless steel, while either of them rubbed on carbon steel prevents rust formation.

Soap, used as a lubricant, reduces friction in the drawing process of making rods into wire. Palm oil, in paste form, is also used for this purpose. Liquid palm oil and lard oil are used as lubricants in rolling steel sheets and strip by the cold reduction process. The oldest use of palm oil, we are told, is in the manufacture of tin plate by the hot-dip method.

And get this. Cereal, that stuff that Super Circus and Roy Rogers made famous, is also used in the final stages of this same hot-dip process for making tin plate.

But that isn't all. Corn cobs, peanut shells, and toothpicks all play critical roles in the daily operation of the steel mill. Corn cobs and peanut hulls when ground into meal are used in the sheet mill to polish terne plate. Toothpicks are used to pry residuary fragments of metals from wire extrusion dies.

Perhaps you would like to join me in this venture? Wouldn't it be a swell way to get rid of our old peanut shells and second hand corn cobs?

Build Better Bosses

Say, did you read "Build Better Bosses" in last week's issue of STEEL? That was a humdinger of an article. Had Ambrose, the ambidextrous office boy, virtually drowning in his saliva. Made him feel that even he has a chance.

If you are one of the bright-future boys, you'll want to search out your copy of STEEL and read it.

If you are already the Boss and want to bring those promising young men along so as to fill important executive spots in your company two, five or ten years from now, best you read it too. You'll be glad you did!

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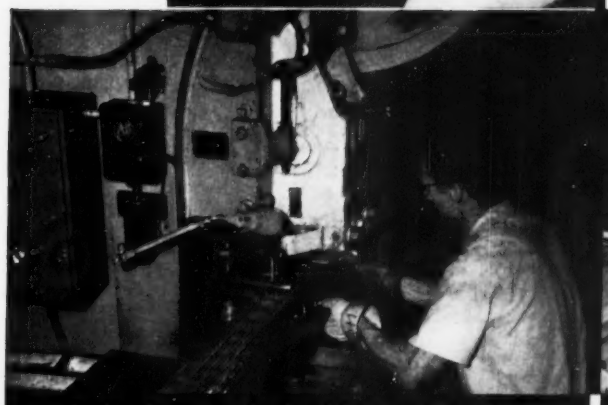
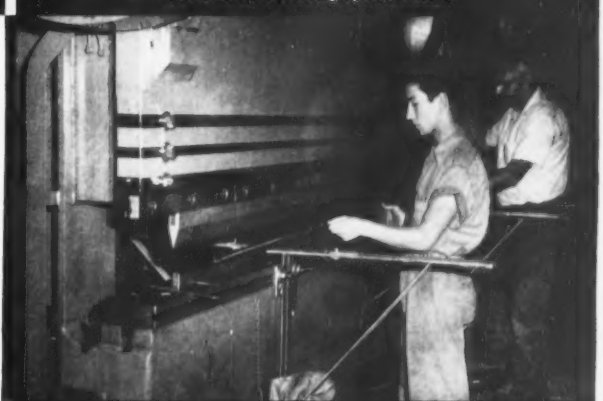
Baseboard Heater Manufacturer Safeguards Product By Specifying Rust-Resisting, Paint-Holding Galvanite*



Punching louvers into baseboard face requires consistent steel hardness.

Galvanite* takes welding as easily as plain steel. Here baseboard ends are being spot welded.



Forming Galvanite* requires no special preparation. This manufacturer uses both roll forming machines and press brakes.

Any baseboard, whether it be simple trim moulding or a modern heating unit, is subject to a lot of wear and punishment. That's why a leading eastern manufacturer of baseboard heating systems specifies Galvanite* throughout. As they put it: "There is no substitute for quality, and we have found Galvanite* best for our purposes."

Galvanite* is Sharon's special process zinc-coated steel. It forms as well as hot rolled steel without flaking or peeling or excessively coating the dies. And, as this baseboard manufacturer discovered, Galvanite* has a surface that really grips paint.

If you are manufacturing a product that must withstand rust and corrosion, or a product that is subjected to the weather, you won't find a better steel anywhere than Sharon Galvanite*. Try it, compare results, and we feel sure you, too, will specify Galvanite* from here on in.

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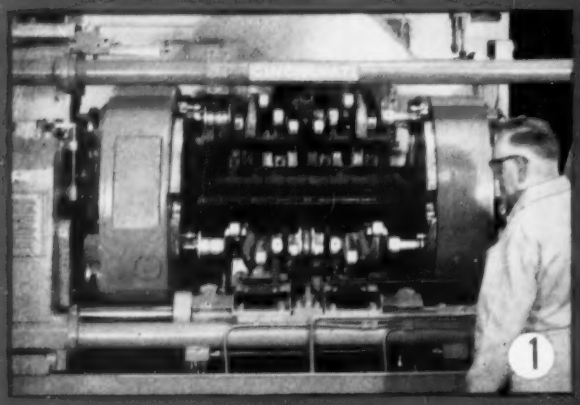

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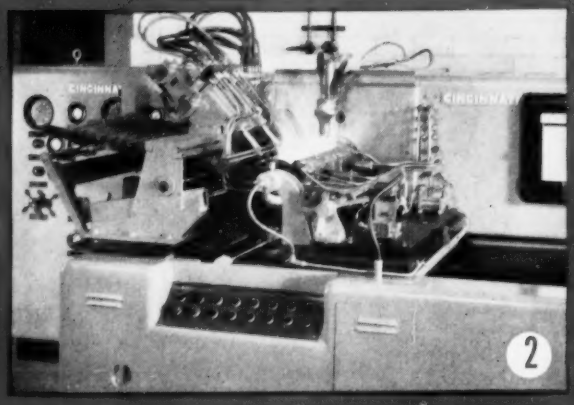
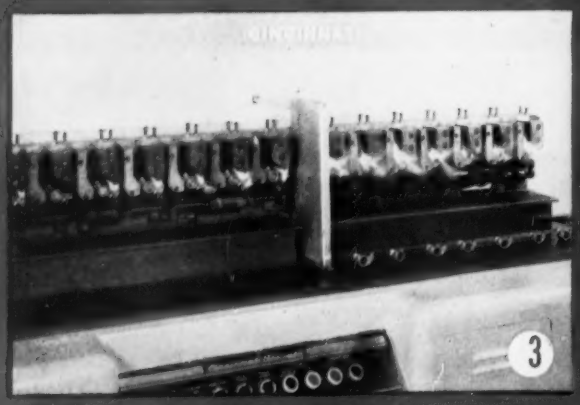
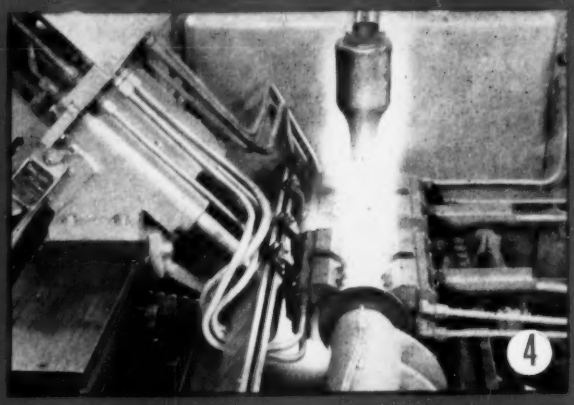


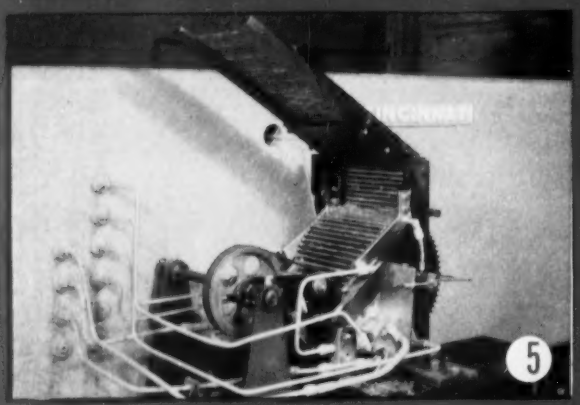
Selective hardening camshafts. Operation fully automatic except for loading.



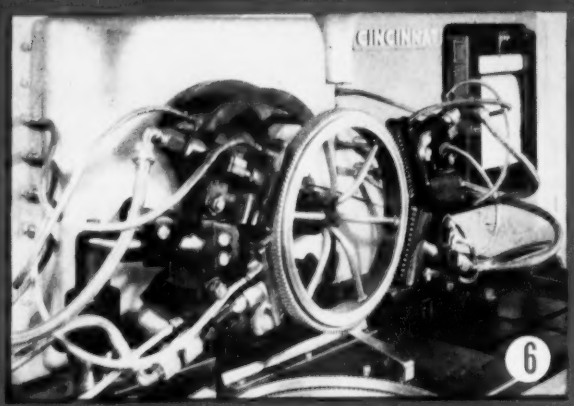
Two-station Flamatic selectively hardens cups and pads on seven rocker arms simultaneously while operator loads other station.



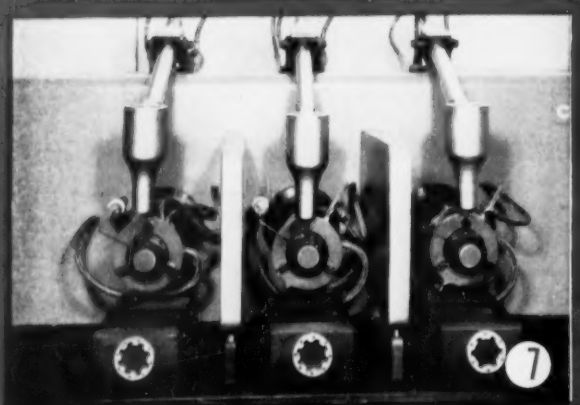
Selective hardening eight bearing surfaces on rocker arm shaft.



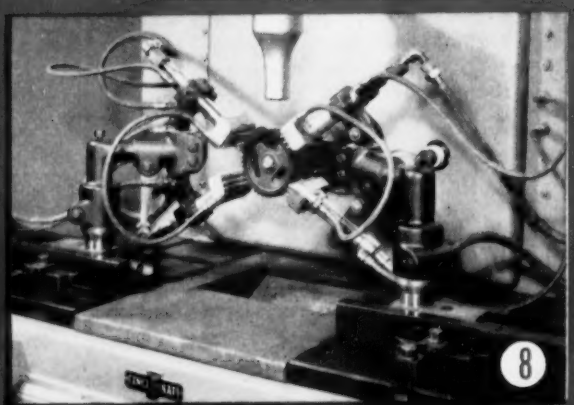
Ribbon type flame heads permit continuous selective hardening of push rods.



Two-at-a-time Flamatic hardening of ring gears provides 300/hr. production.



Three machines in one: Permits simultaneous selective hardening three sizes of overriding clutch cams for automatic transmissions.

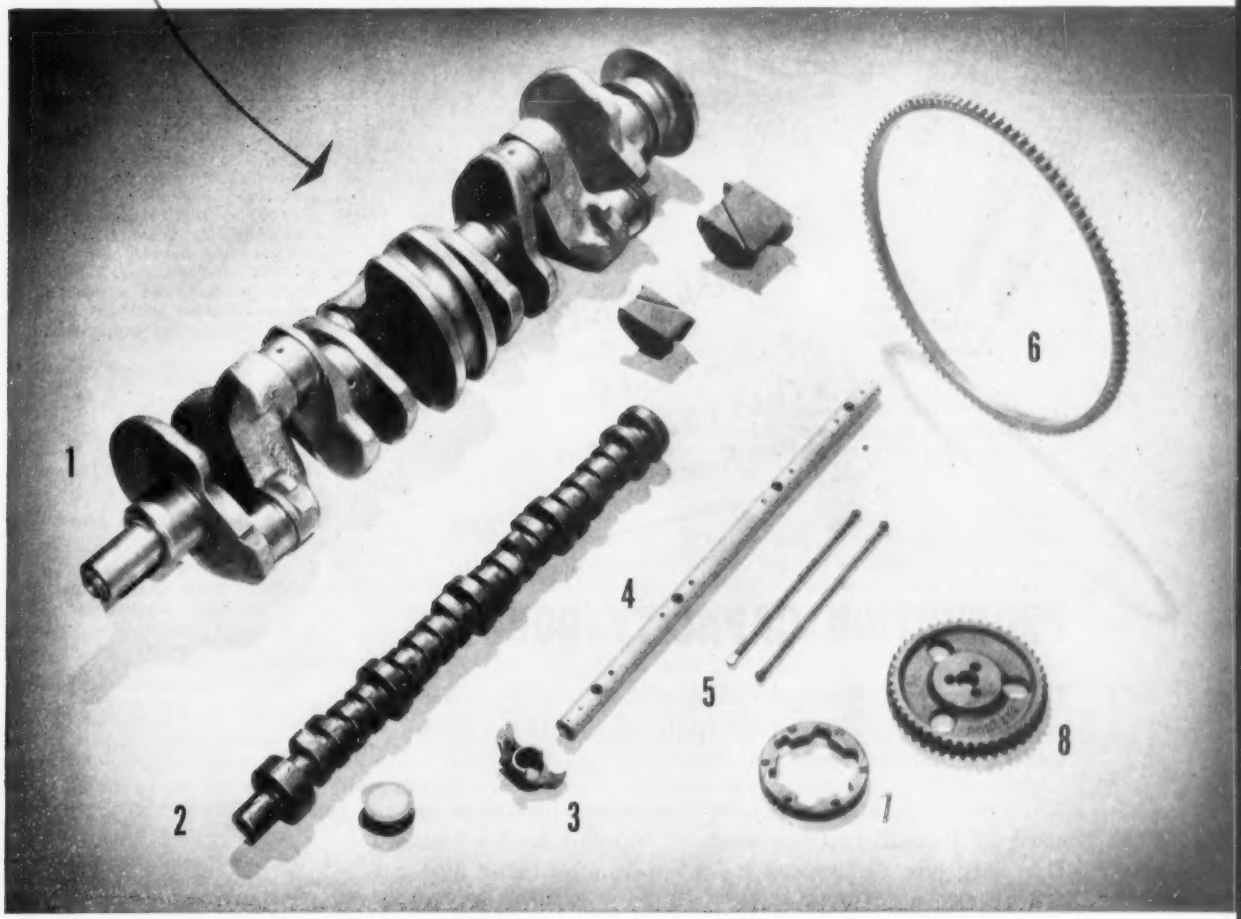


Four flame heads harden two timing gears simultaneously.

what we hardened and how we did it

1. Crankshaft
2. Camshaft
3. Rocker arm
4. Rocker arm shaft
5. Push rod
6. Starter ring gear
7. Overriding clutch cam
8. Timing gear

Here's a quick "road show" of Flamatic selective surface hardening applications to automotive parts, demonstrating the wide range of shapes and sizes Flamatic can handle on a high production basis. Operation photos show how flexible tooling makes the basic Flamatic machine extremely productive.



These applications illustrate the three basic Flamatic principles—concentrate heat, control temperature, and confine hardness—which result in exceptional uniformity of results.
While the machines illustrated involve special modifications or tooling for long runs at high production, standard Flamatics permit economical handling of short runs when parts can be handled with relatively simple tooling or work-holding fixtures.
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TO THE EDITORS

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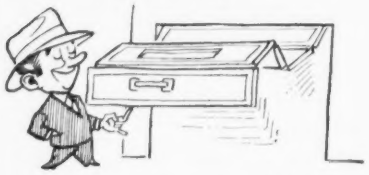

While reviewing your article "New Avenue to Industrial Development" (Mar. 8, p. 78), we were attracted by the power-driven overhead garage door that is retailed for less than $100. Later in the same article you say, "a low-cost, fool-proof, power-driven overhead door, controlled by a photomultiplier tube that recognizes light impulses only and won't react to stray light or radio waves." Any information you can send along regarding this particular product and a booklet of general information on Rand Development Corp. will be most appreciated.

James E. Drylie
assistant sales manager
"SUP-R-GUY" Products Division
Guibert Steel Co.
Pittsburgh

• *This letter has been forwarded to the Rand Development Corp.—ED.*

Little Boron Goes Long Way

I was interested to see the results provided by Kaiser Steel Corp. in the article "A Pinch of Boron Doubles Yield Point of Low-Carbon Steel" (Feb. 22, p. 107). I can well understand that this information will be of particular interest to your readers.

I note on p. 107, middle column, that you refer to temperatures of 450 to 500° F. That should, of course, read 450 to 500° C.

W. E. Bardgett
research manager
United Steel Companies Ltd.
Research & Development Department
Rotherham, England

We were very interested in your article "A Pinch of Boron Doubles Yield Point of Low-Carbon Steel." In it you made two statements about the availability of molybdenum: "Adoption of the steel for civil applications is dependent largely on the availability of moly," and "Developments in these and other applications are expected to receive attention when the moly situation improves."

Both statements are out of date. Molybdenum has been in abundant supply for eight months.

The recently completed expansion program increased the capacity of the Climax mine nearly 80 per cent and made it the largest underground mine in North America. As a result, the government lifted all domestic controls on June 30, 1953, and abolished export quotas in January, 1954.

We would be grateful if you would inform your readers—many of whom were most patient during the period

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preference points on power transmission units

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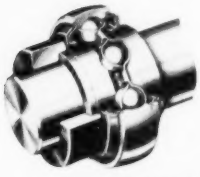

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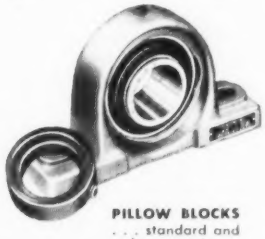

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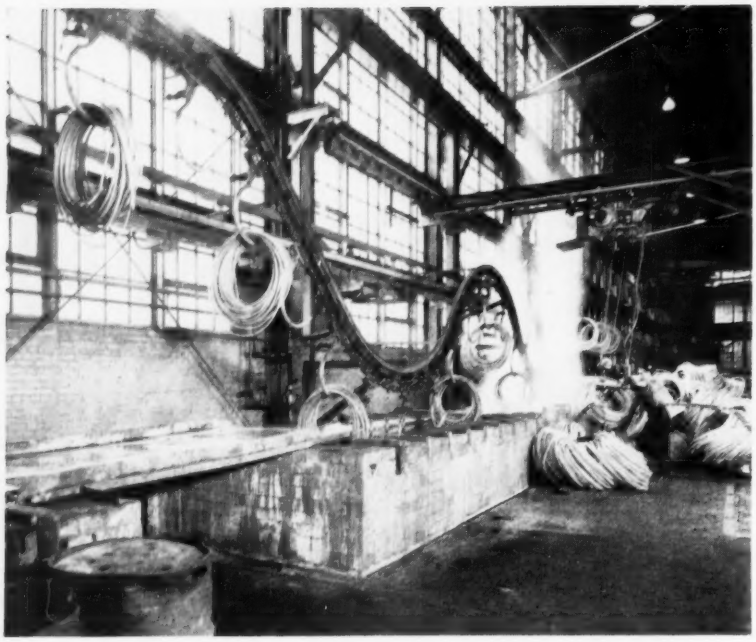

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of controls—that the supply of molybdenum is now great enough to supply all their needs in the foreseeable future. In fact, the industry's capacity is now more than twice the free world annual consumption in the years between World War II and Korea.

R. S. Archer
chief metallurgical engineer
Climax Molybdenum Co.
New York

Coatings for Cold Forming

Would you please send us a copy of the article "Coatings in Cold Forming; Dual Role Makes Lubricant Doubly Important" (Mar. 8, p. 116) by Dr. Samuel Spring, Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. Co.

G. B. Troup
metallurgist
Talon Inc.
Meadville, Pa.

I would appreciate receiving tear sheets of your article "Coatings in Cold Forming."

I. A. Usher
chief engineer
Canadian Steel Improvement Ltd.
Etobicoke, Ont.

Our engineers would like tear sheets of "Coatings in Cold Forming."

L. C. Strong
International Harvester Co.
Chicago

• *Sent.—ED.*

Credit Where It's Due

Your article "Salt Baths . . . Versatile Performers on the Heat Treating Team" (Feb. 15, p. 108) written by this writer inadvertently failed to give proper credit for some of the data used.

Referring to Fig. 2 on p. 111, the idea for this effective method of comparing quenching power and most of the data were the work of R. F. Harvey, chief metallurgist, Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Co., Providence, R. I.

L. B. Rosseau
vice president
Ajax Electric Co. Inc.
Philadelphia

• *Credit is given to Mr. Harvey in reprints of this article.—ED.*

Selling Hits the Spot

Your timely and excellent article "Now You Have To Sell" (Feb. 22, p. 91), No. 1 in STEEL's Program for Management series for 1954 sure hits the spot.

We would appreciate having 12 tear sheets of this fine article.

STEEL is well read here and we find its many articles of great interest.

Rene P. Mageau
Hartford Laboratory manager
Magnaflux Corp.
East Hartford, Conn.

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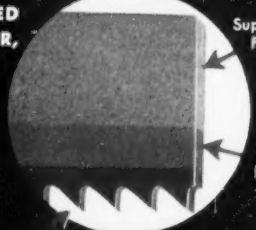
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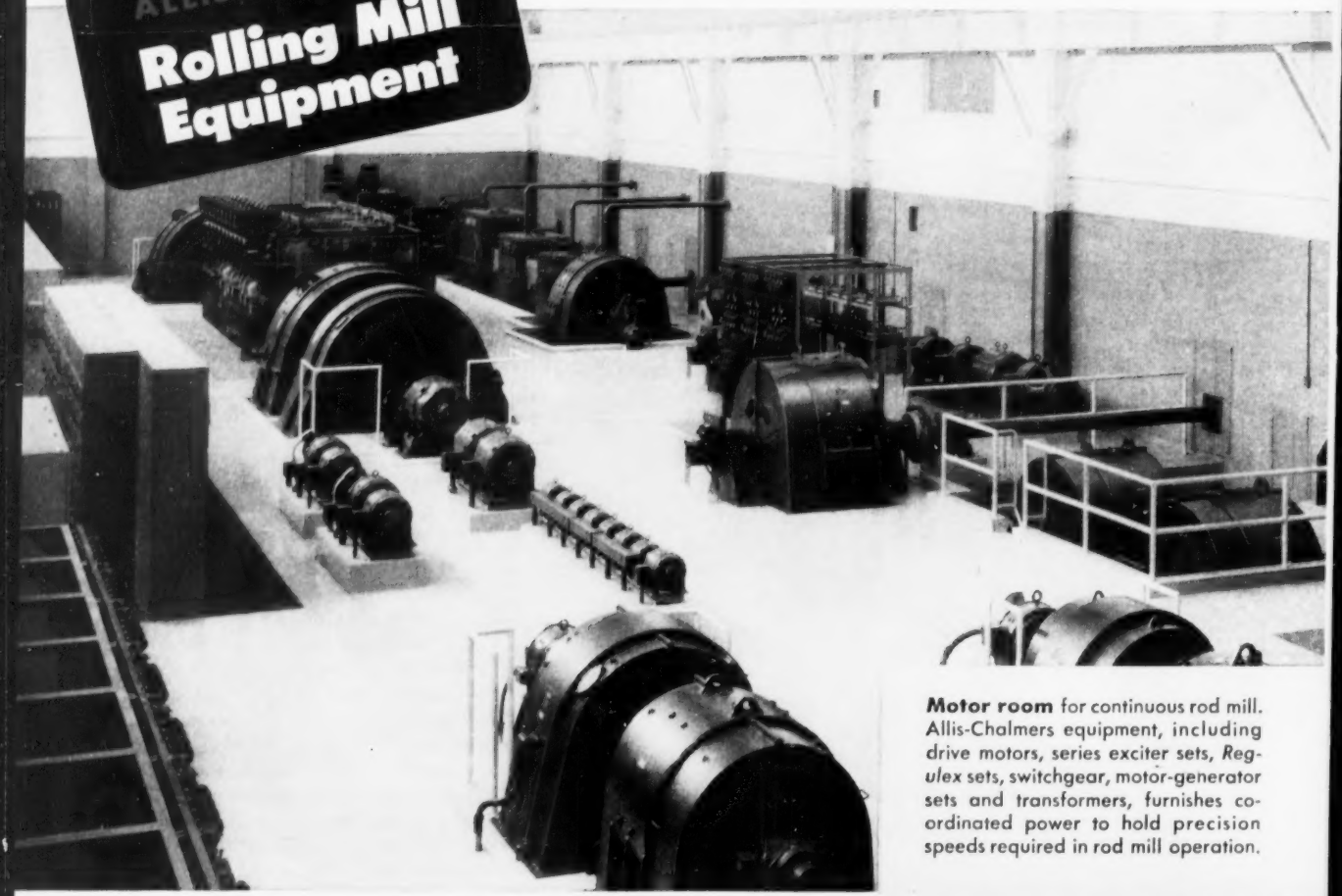
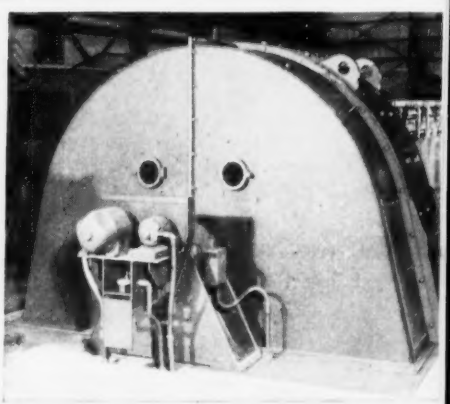


Motor room for continuous rod mill. Allis-Chalmers equipment, including drive motors, series exciter sets, *Regulex* sets, switchgear, motor-generator sets and transformers, furnishes coordinated power to hold precision speeds required in rod mill operation.

Roughing stand drives in the motor room. The 400-hp, 300/900-rpm dc motor in the background drives stands 1 and 2, and the 1500-hp, 300/750-rpm dc motor in the foreground drives roughing stands 3 through 8.

Intermediate stand drives in motor room. Three of the four 800-hp, 300/900-rpm dc motors driving stands 9 through 16. Larger rods are taken directly from these stands without passing through the finishing stands.



Finishing stand drive in the mill proper. This Allis-Chalmers 2000-hp, 300/600-rpm dc motor drives stands 17 through 22. Any number of these six stands may be used to run a variety of small rod sizes.

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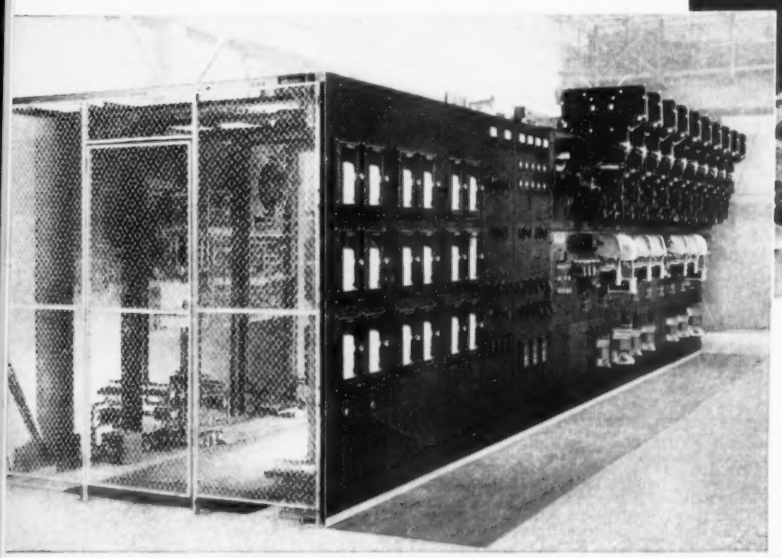

Variable voltage control panel (left) in the motor room for the main drive motors.

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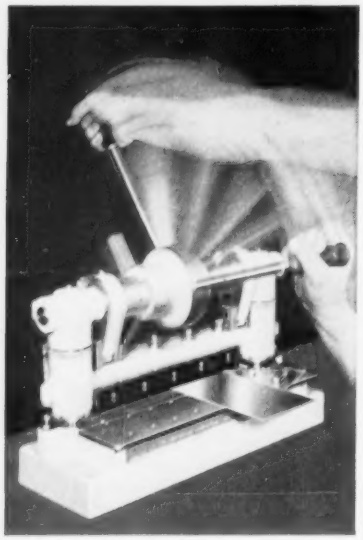

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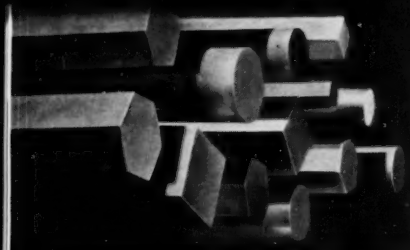

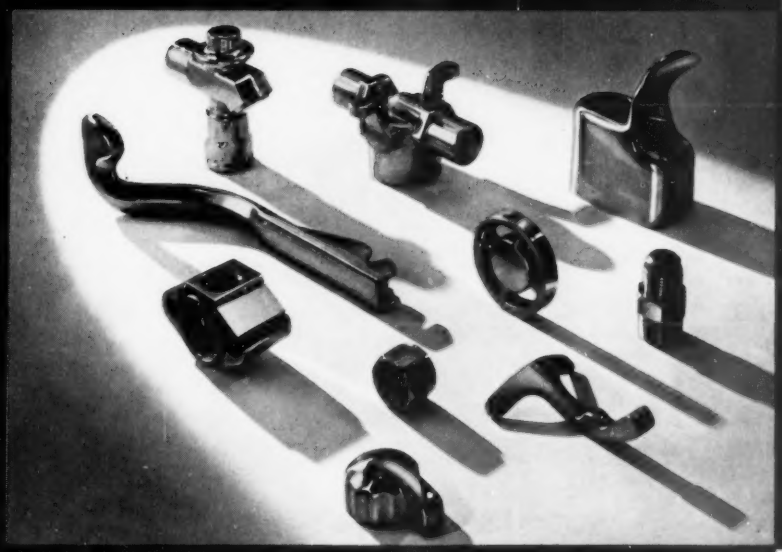

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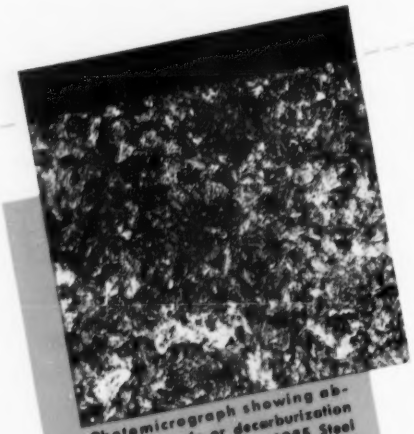

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The advantages of hardening in a neutral salt bath can be further enhanced by use of an isothermal salt bath quench (martempering or austempering) to hold distortion to a minimum and eliminate quench cracking.

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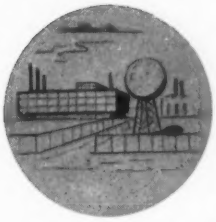

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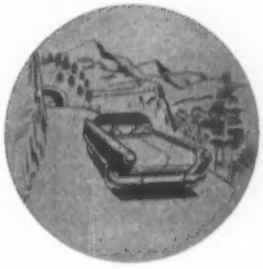

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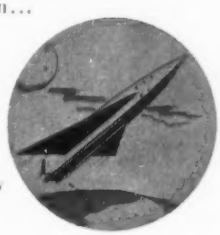

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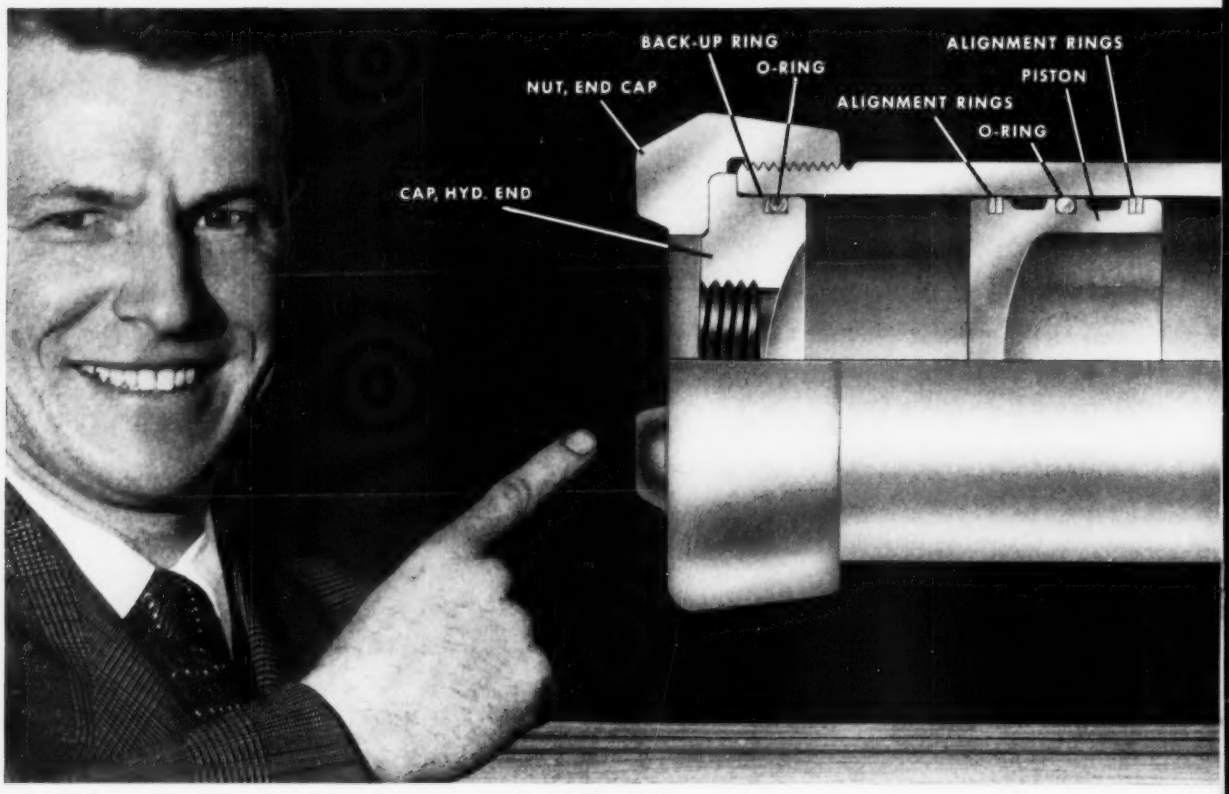

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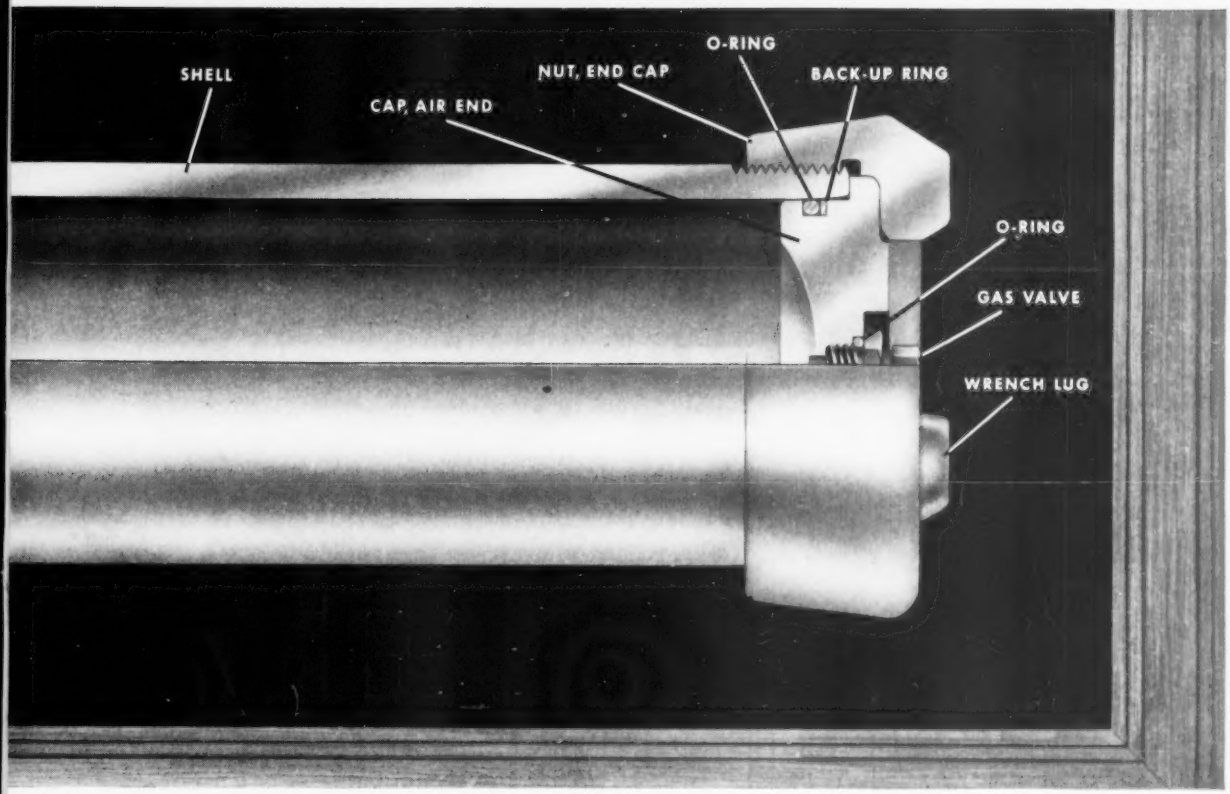

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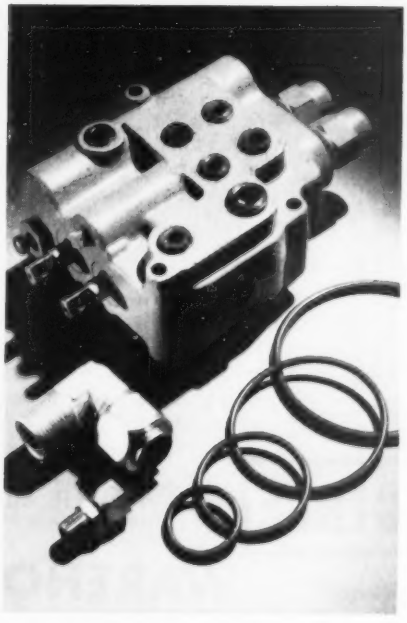

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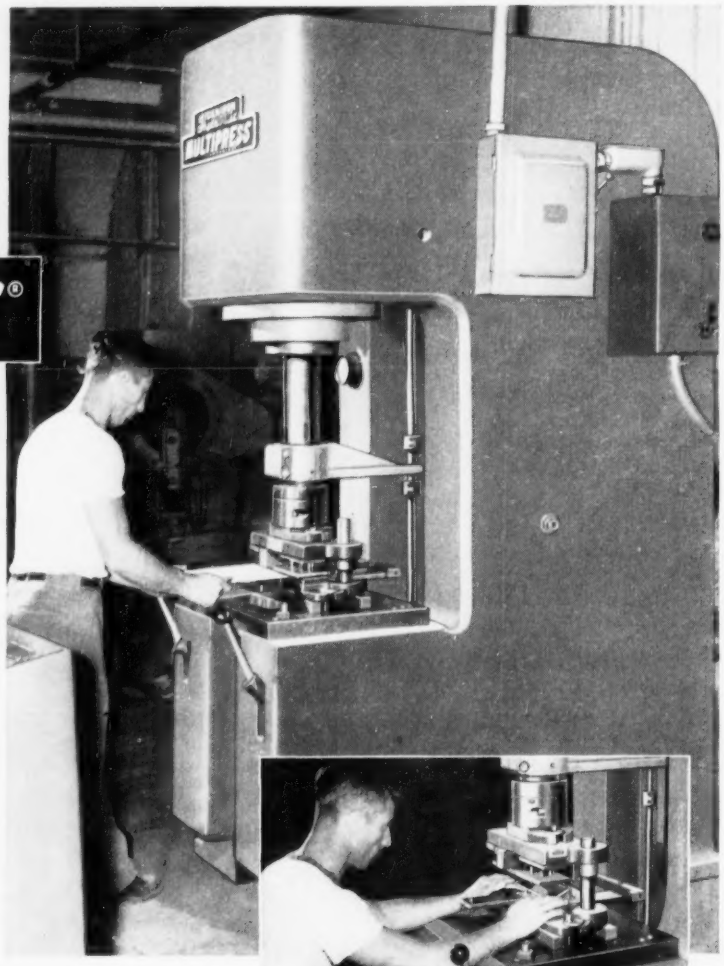

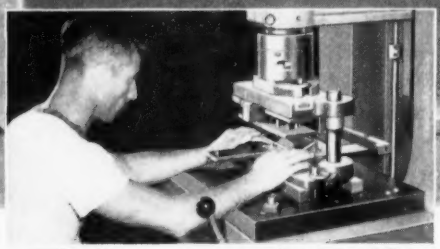

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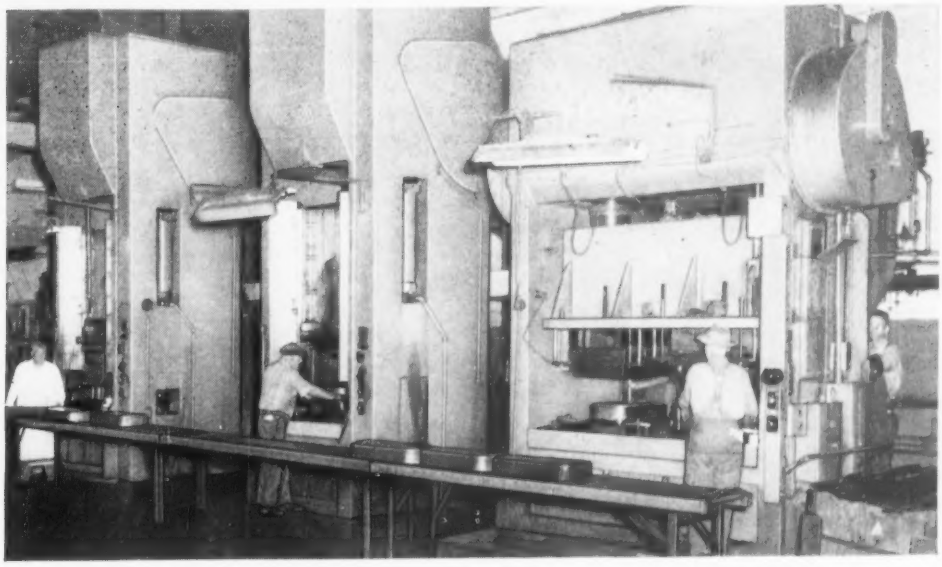

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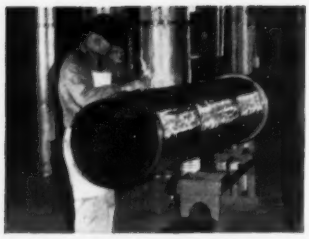

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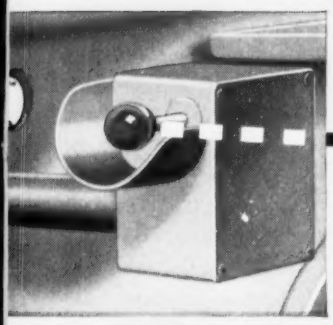

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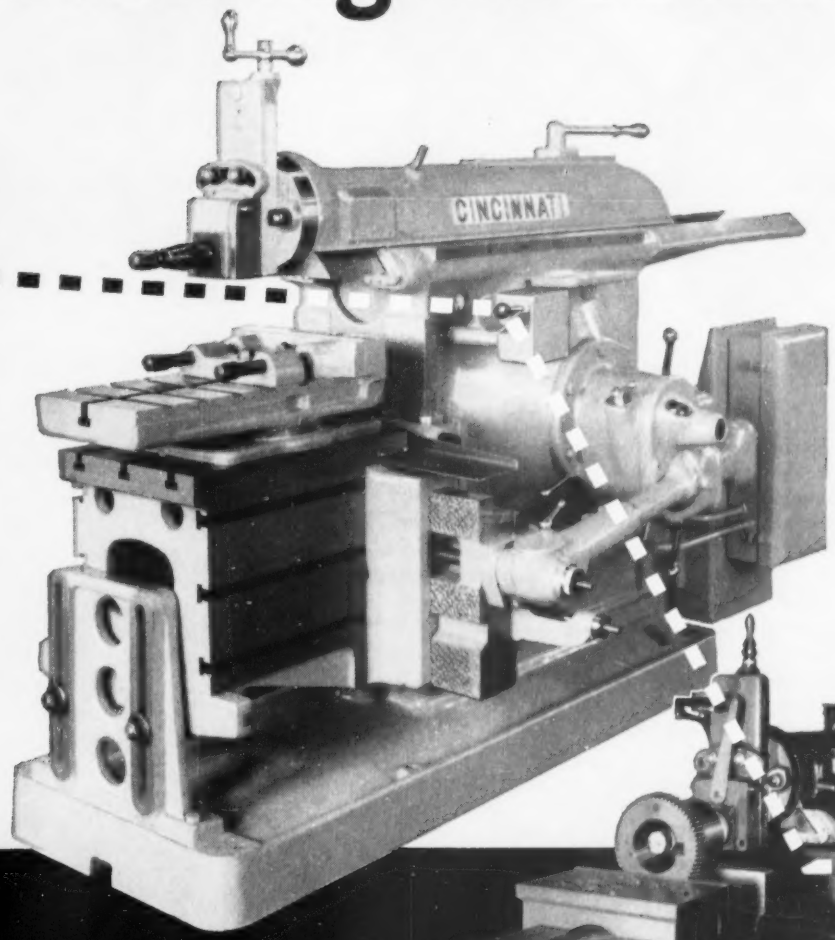

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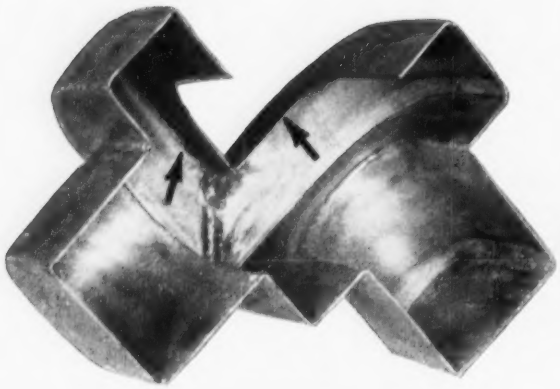

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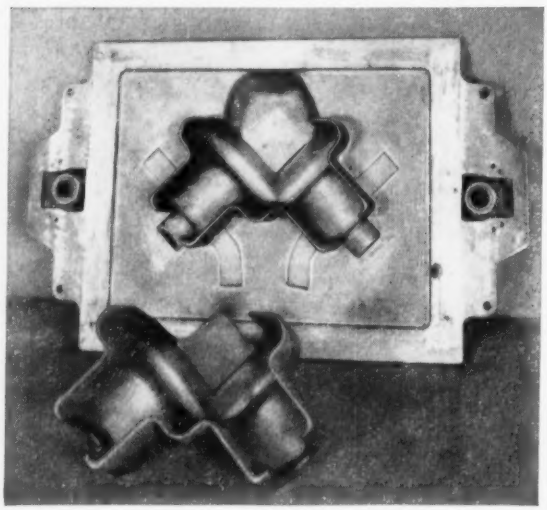

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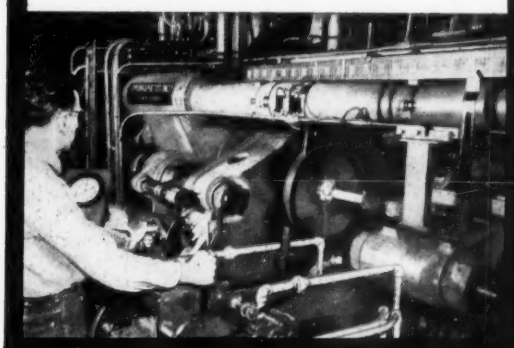

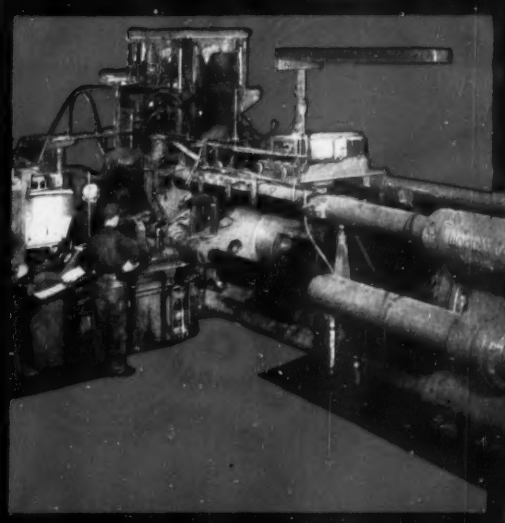

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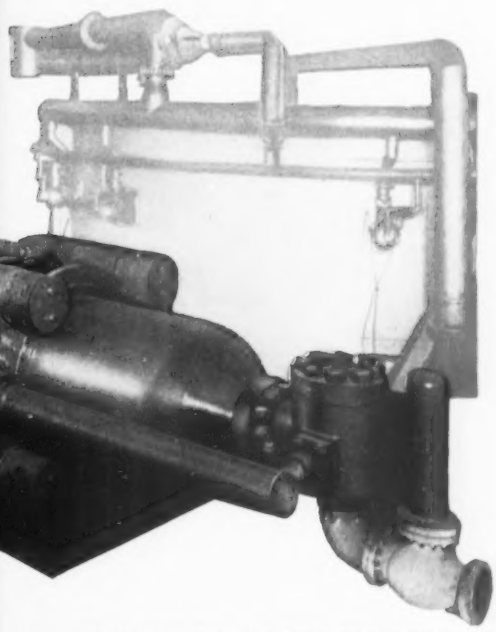

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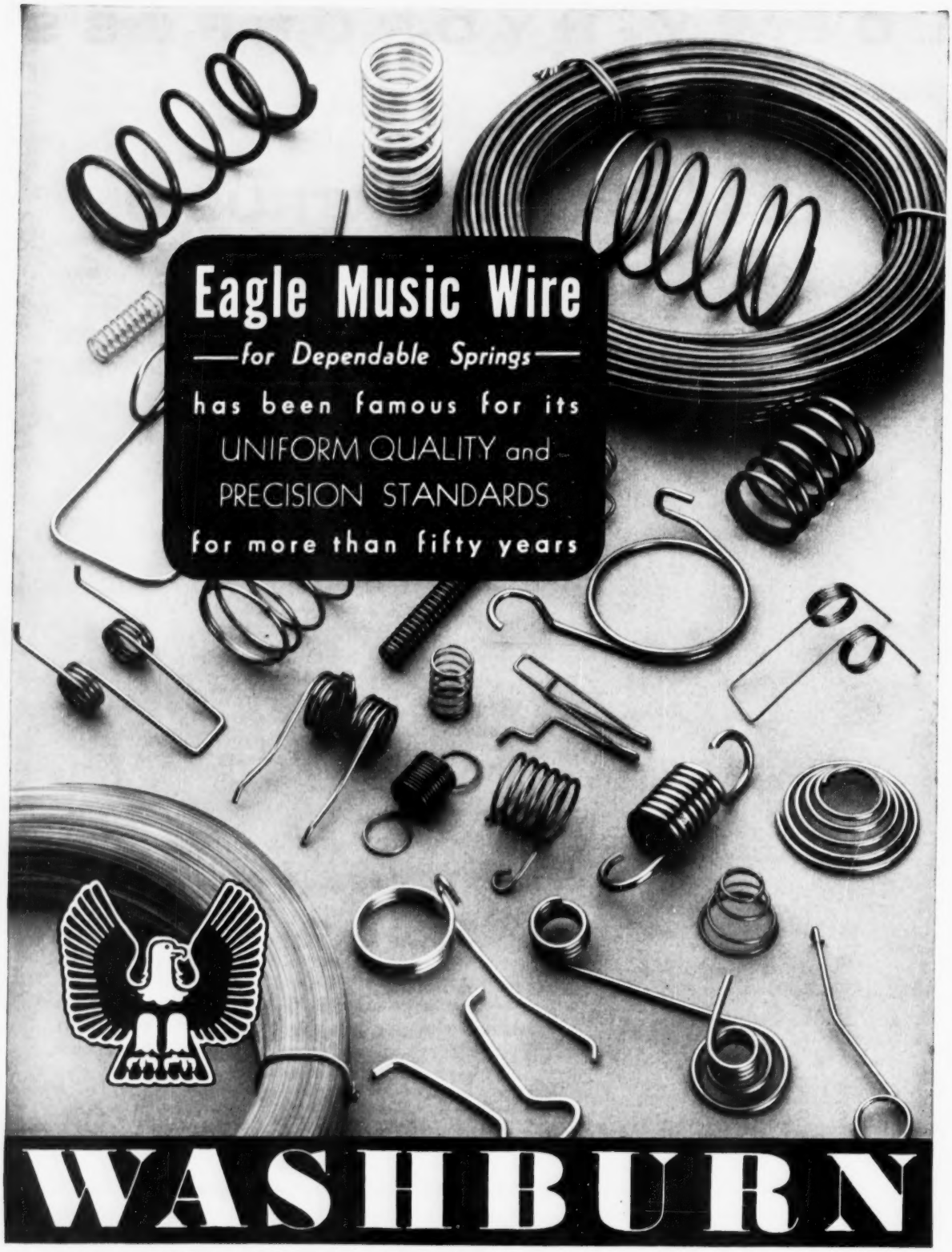

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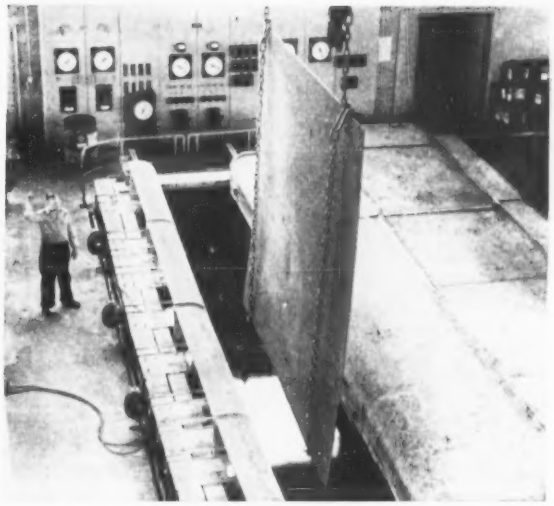

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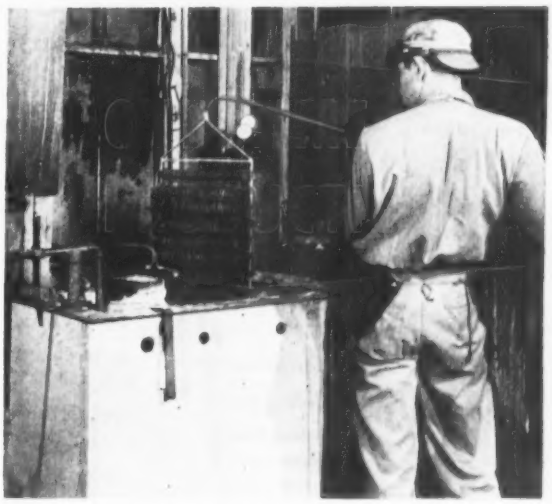

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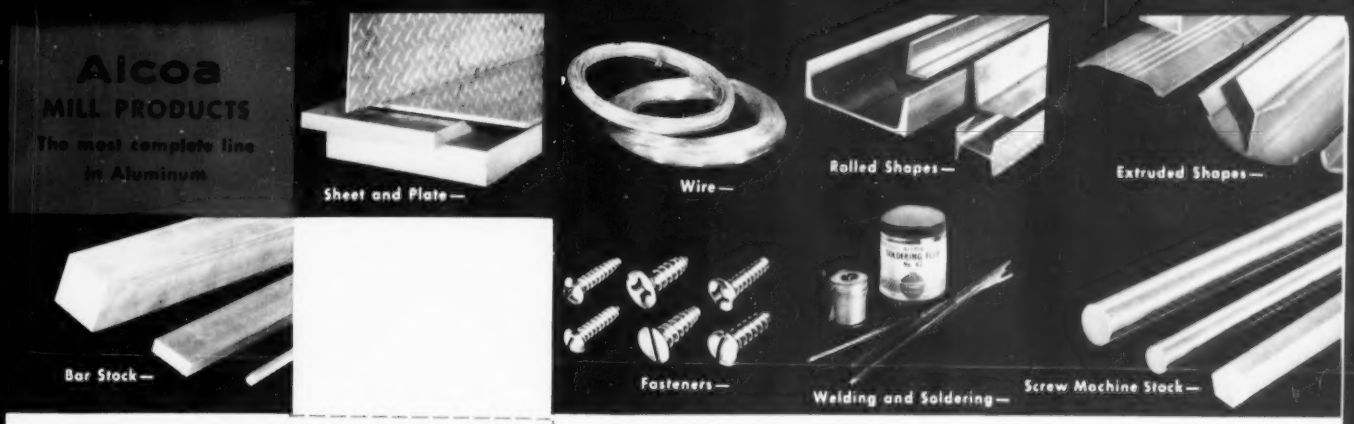

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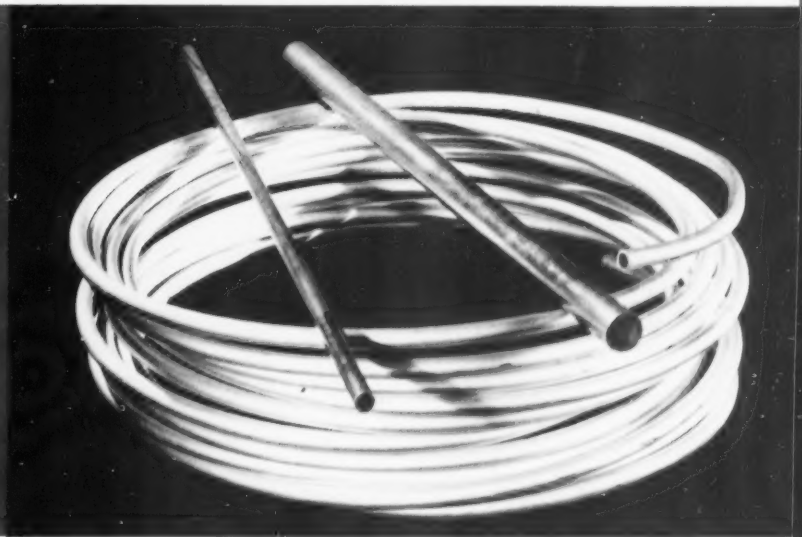

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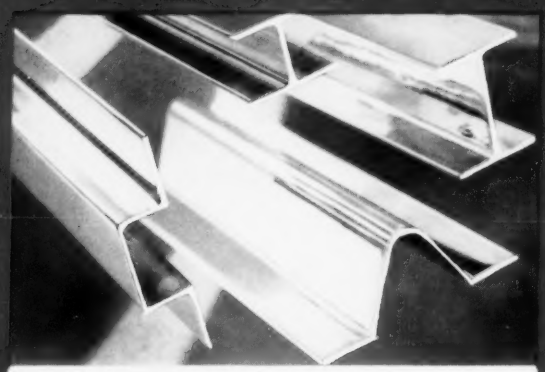

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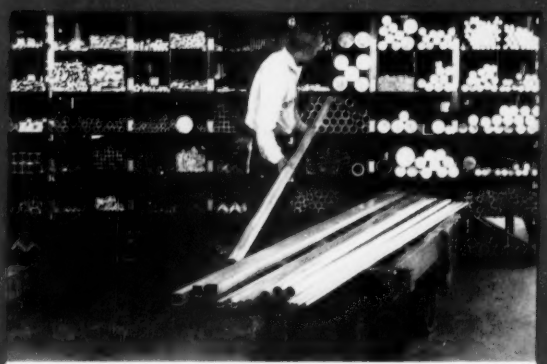

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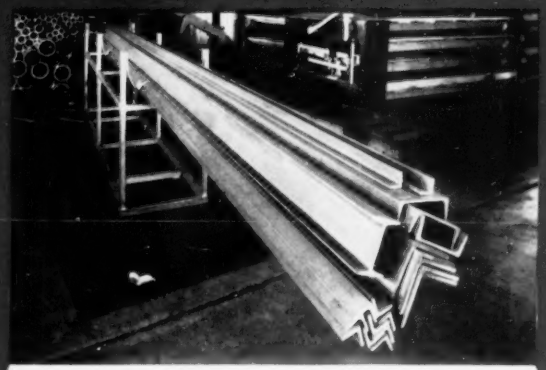

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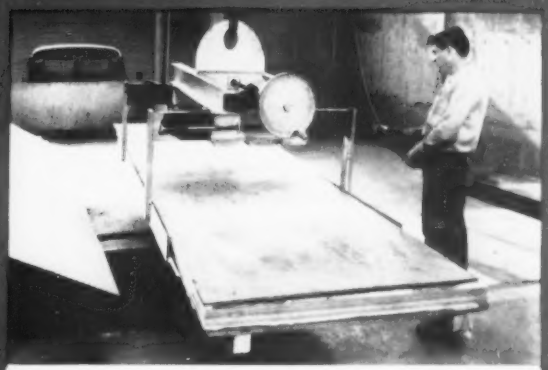

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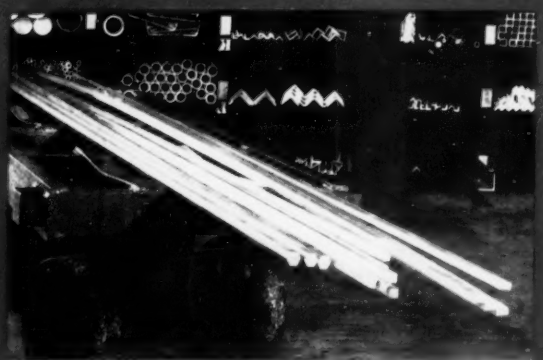

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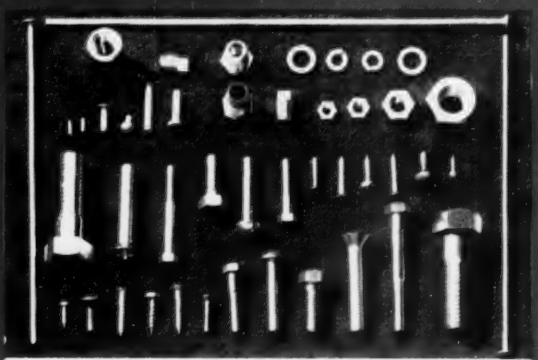
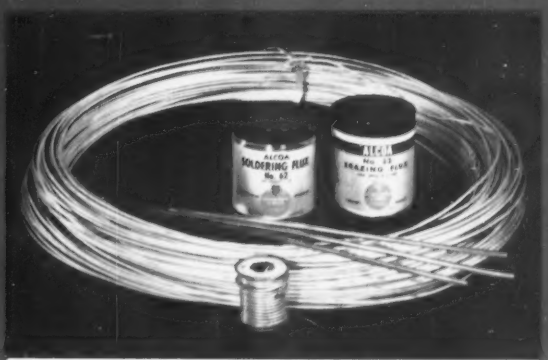


FASTENERS: Machine screws, wood screws; washers; nuts; bolts; rivets. Recommended for fastening aluminum to prevent electrolytic damage.



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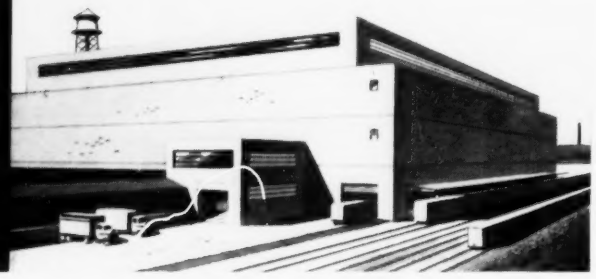

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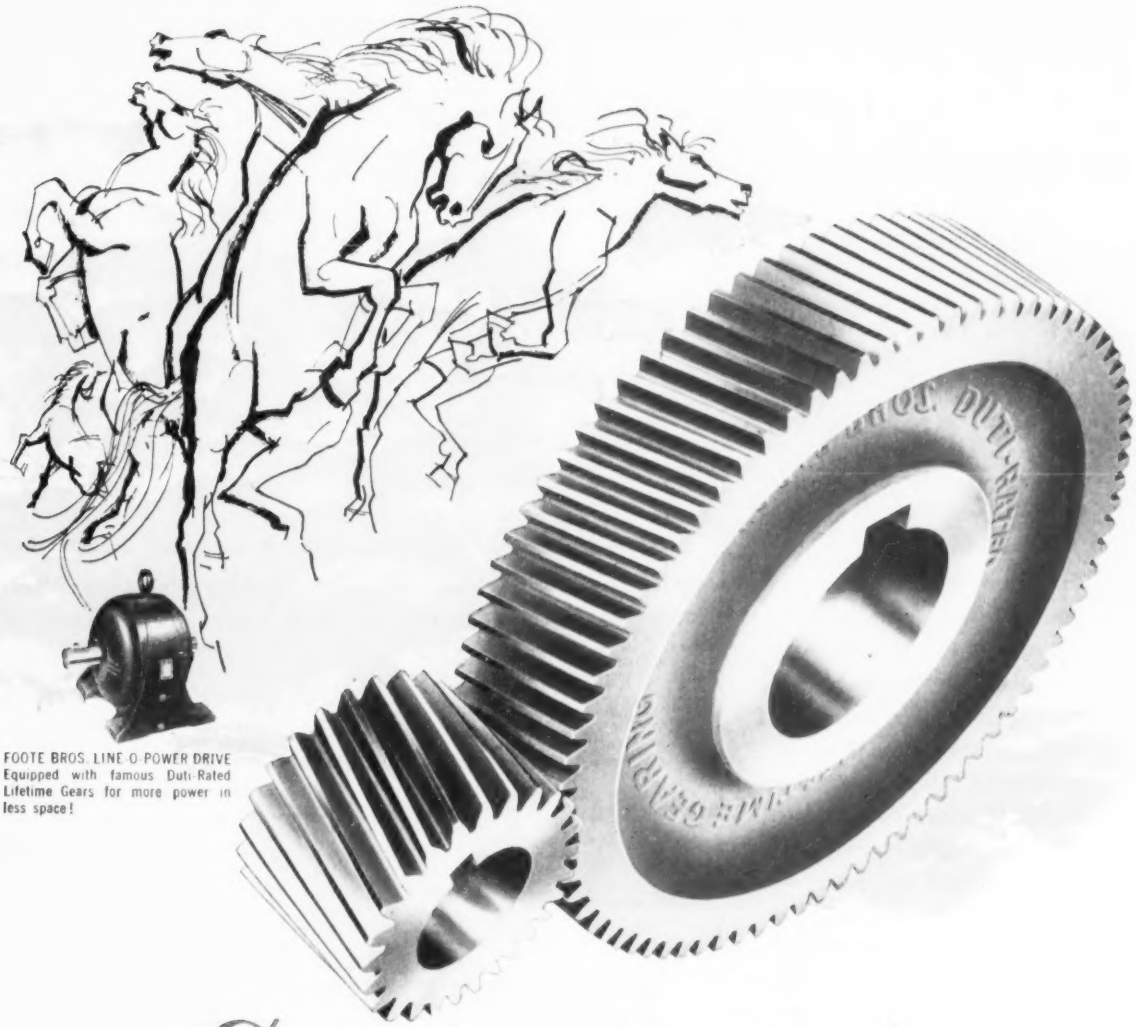

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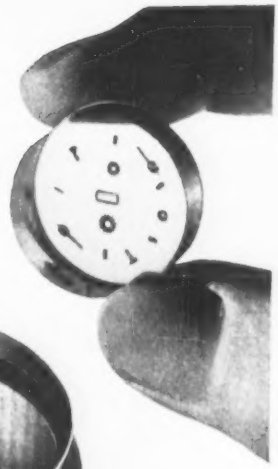

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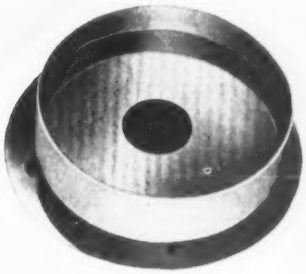

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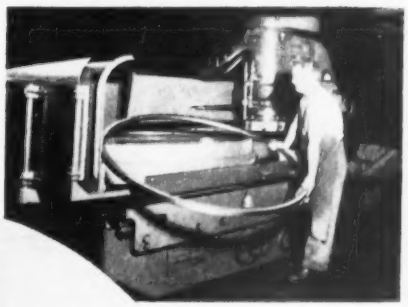

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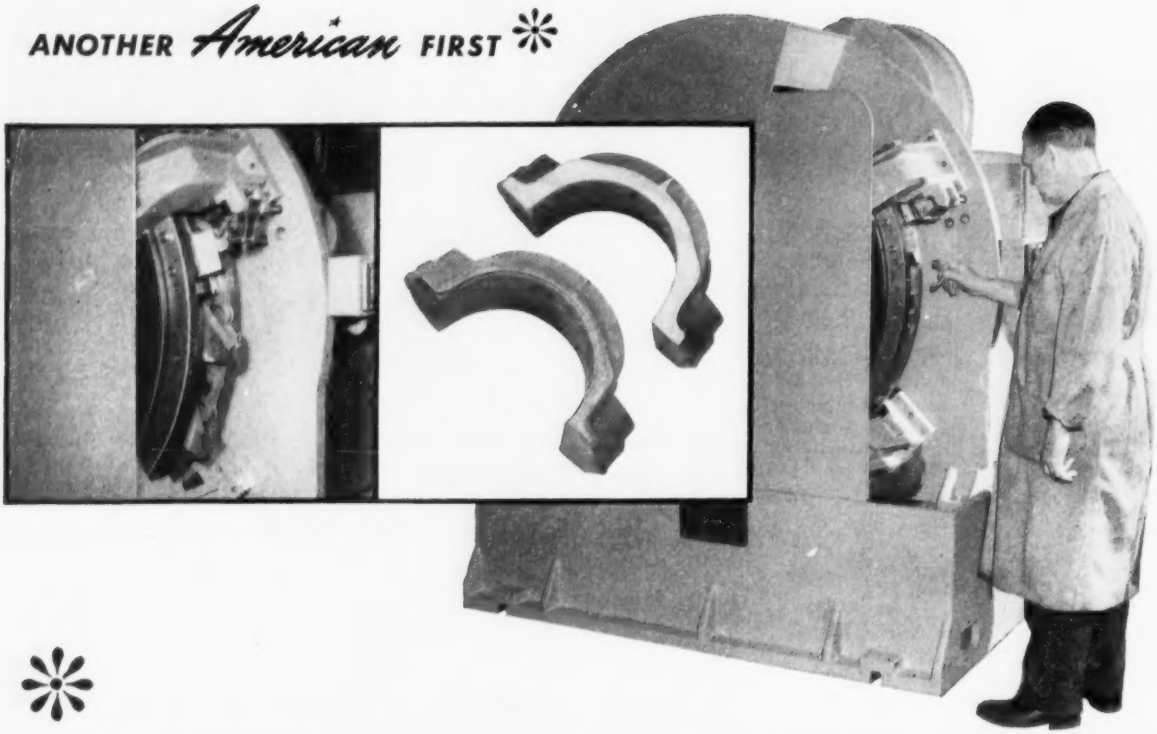

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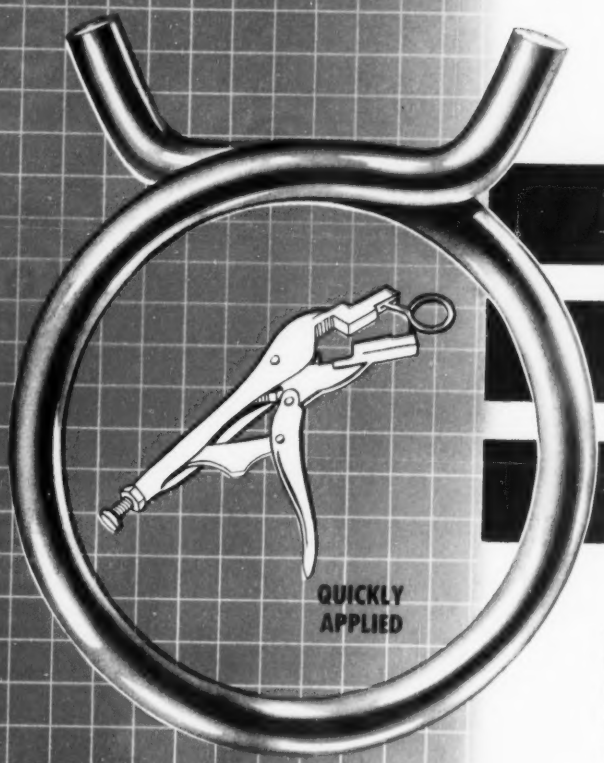

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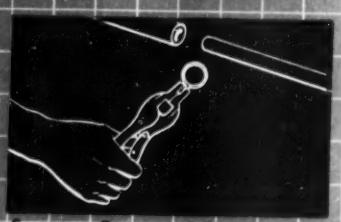

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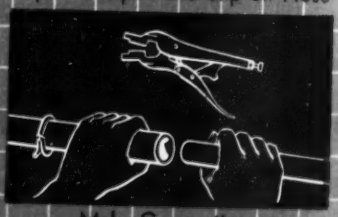

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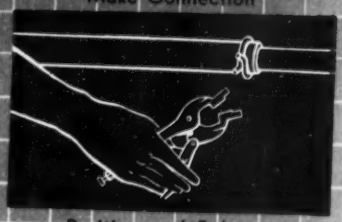

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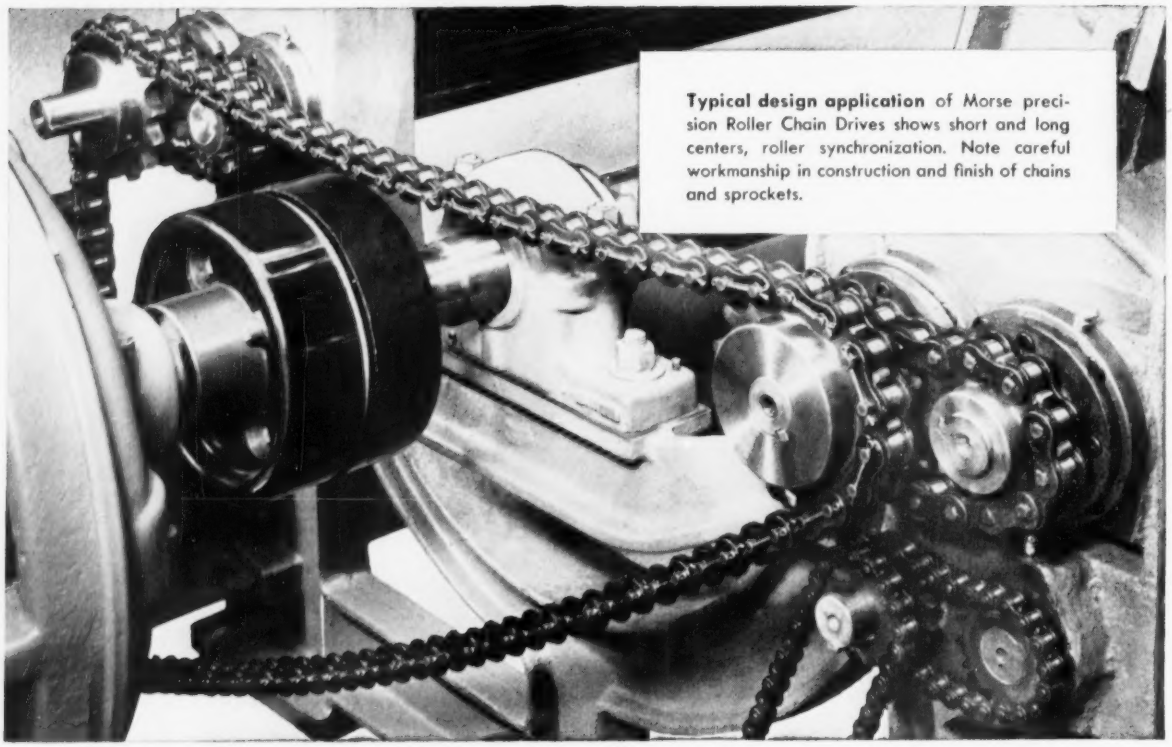

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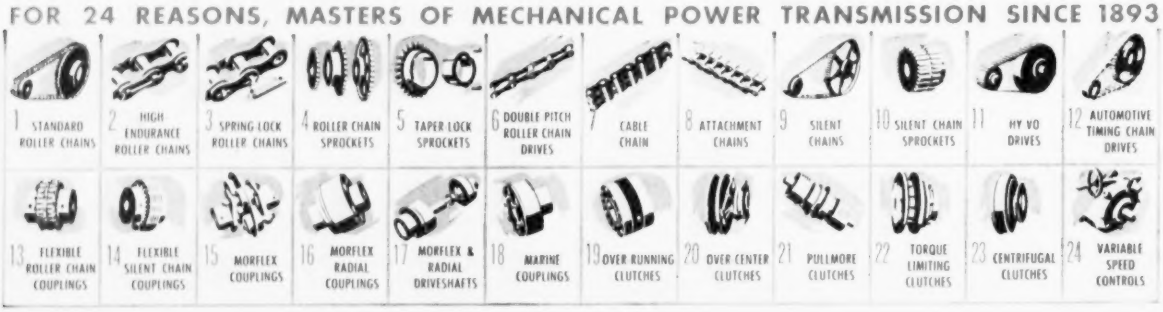

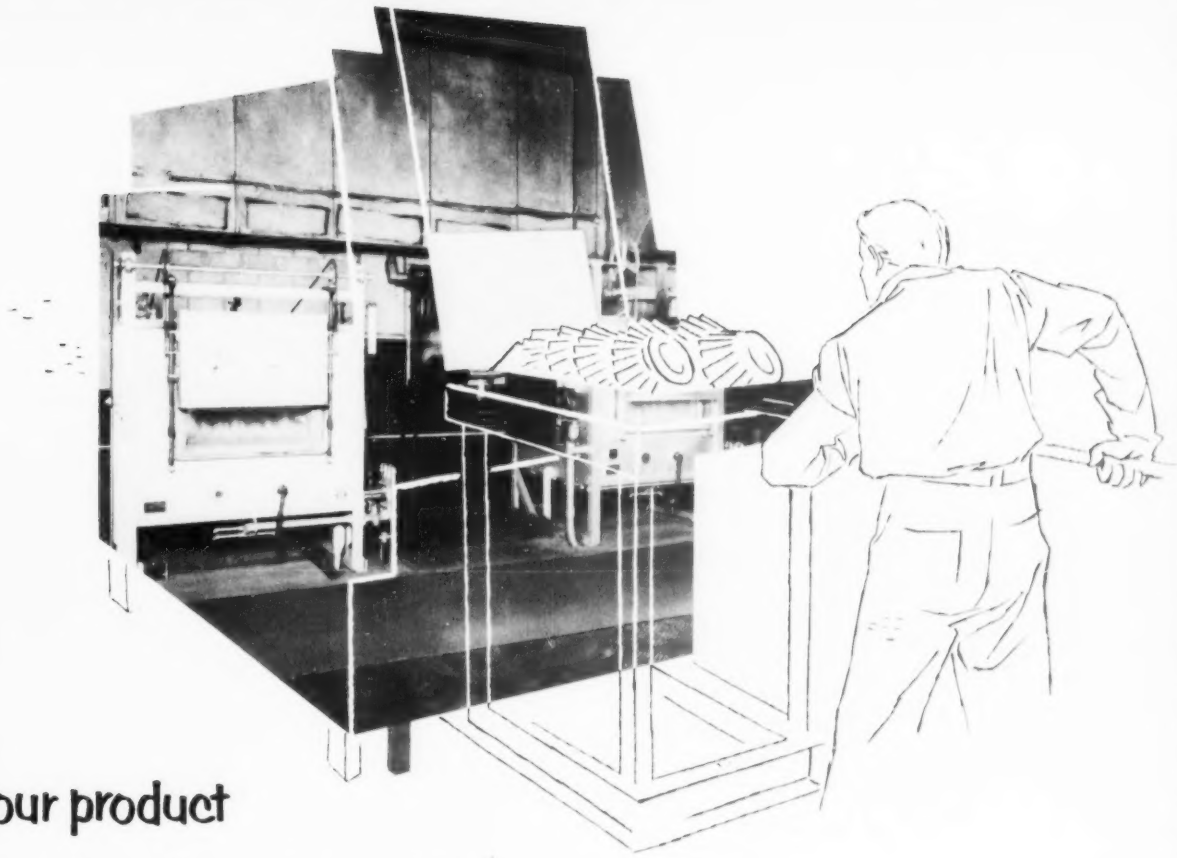

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Metalworking Outlook

UAW and the Guaranteed Wage

Look for the United Auto Workers' annual wage plan to contain these proposals: Joint company-union administration of the plan; financing on a pay-as-you-go basis with a reinsurance provision; unemployment compensations to be treated as an offset which the employer may use to reduce the cost of the obligations he assumes under the guarantee plan. Significantly, UAW's Nat Weinberg, director of research and engineering, reveals those points months before the CIO union's 1955 contract negotiations open. The idea is to promote more discussion of the issue.

Inventories and Strikes

Steel buyers are thoughtfully studying steel labor prospects this summer. Inventories are way, way down now. Paradoxically, even a short steel strike in July would be more disastrous to metalworking than the long walkout in 1952. Two years ago steel stocks were high. Now that they're so low, purchasing agents are wondering, even though current odds favor a peaceful settlement.

U.S. Will Hold Off

The U. S. will hold its supplies of surplus metals off the market wherever it finds that disposal would have a "serious adverse effect" on prices. The Office of Defense Mobilization's statement is designed to allay fears that the government would release stocks of copper, lead and zinc now being delivered as a result of market guarantee contracts and similar devices used to boost production during the Korean war. The end of that conflict means the probable accumulation of surpluses of those three raw materials, plus tin, magnesium, tungsten, linseed oil and long-staple cotton.

Weldments: Doing Well

Weldment manufacturers are doing unusually well. That branch of metalworking is outpacing most others currently, and the outlook for the year is optimistic. Volume so far in 1954 is only slightly below the corresponding period a year ago. But to obtain the same volume of orders as formerly, manufacturers must quote on about twice as many inquiries. Required deliveries are also too tight.

Rat Race in Roads

The dilemma of roads continues. Bills before Congress calling for $800 million and $835 million in aid for highways are inadequate even though both of them are above the $575 million currently allotted. The total annual expenditure required to provide an adequate road system within a decade is more than $8 billion, compared with the present yearly outlay of about $5 billion.

Coming Up: Foreign Trade Policy

The President's foreign trade recommendations are due to be presented to Congress this week. They'll embody some of the Randall Commission's

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proposals, but not all. The Randall report has run into some heavy criticism, the latest stemming from a conference sponsored by Princeton's International Finance Section and Center of International Studies. The conference scores the Randall study for "its want of basic philosophy." The commission, incidentally, closed its doors last week and returned $110,000 of unused funds to the Treasury.

It Pays To Advertise

Watch for the Defense department to advertise for bids on more of its contracts from now on. Since 1950, some 90 per cent of all defense procurement has been on a negotiated basis. Congressional pressure is mounting for more advertising-bid purchasing. One articulate advocate for the shift is Rep. Paul Brown (Dem., Ga.), a member of the House Banking & Currency Committee.

How's Your Salary Plan?

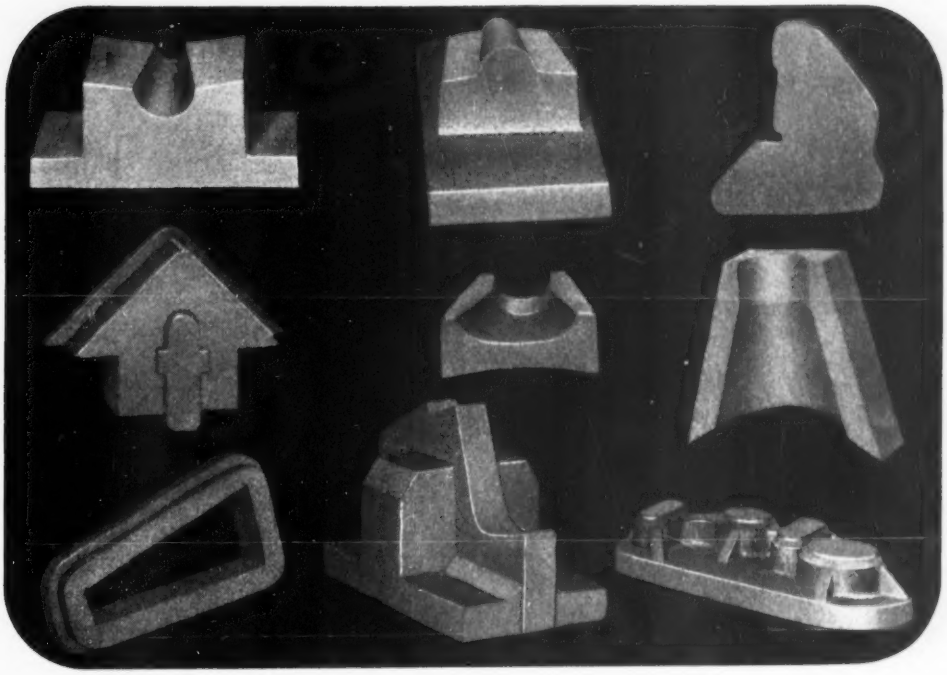
What's your executive compensation policy? James C. Olson, a partner in the management consulting firm of Booz, Allen & Hamilton, told the Controllers Institute of America that a proper salary plan should: Establish the value of each position as compared to all other salaried positions; place a proper monetary value on each position; establish for each position an appropriate salary range; provide for periodic review of individual performance to grant salary increases; and create a feeling of confidence in the fairness of pay for work done.

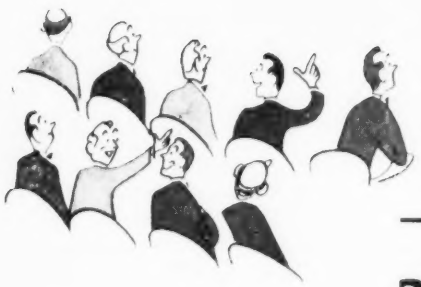
Straws in the Wind

Nash-Kelvinator Corp. and Hudson Motor Car Co. stockholders have approved plans to merge the two firms . . . Armco Steel Corp. will spend $33-million in 1954 to streamline operations and reduce costs . . . Declines in prices on some consumer items brought the cost-of-living index down by 0.2 per cent in the month to mid-February . . . Cheaper raw materials costs made possible price cuts on ferrosilicons, says Electro Metallurgical Co., division of Union Carbide & Carbon Corp. . . . Until the Navy and Air Force recheck their aluminum requirements and report May 15, the third round of aluminum capacity expansion will be held in abeyance . . . Steel scrap is being considered by the Chicago Mercantile Exchange as a new commodity to be traded on its floor.

This Week in Metalworking

Metalworking's profits dipped in first quarter, 1954, but not as much as sales volume (p. 57) . . . Rate of increase in unemployment slows down a bit (p. 58) . . . Signs appear of a reawakening in fastener markets (p. 59) . . . Here's a check list of how you can help minimize the effects of a recession (p. 60) . . . Bridgeport Brass takes a big step into aluminum (p. 61) . . . Traffic managers scurry as ICC approves rail rate cuts on steel shipments (p. 62) . . . Government catalog for buying of steel is well on the way (p. 63).





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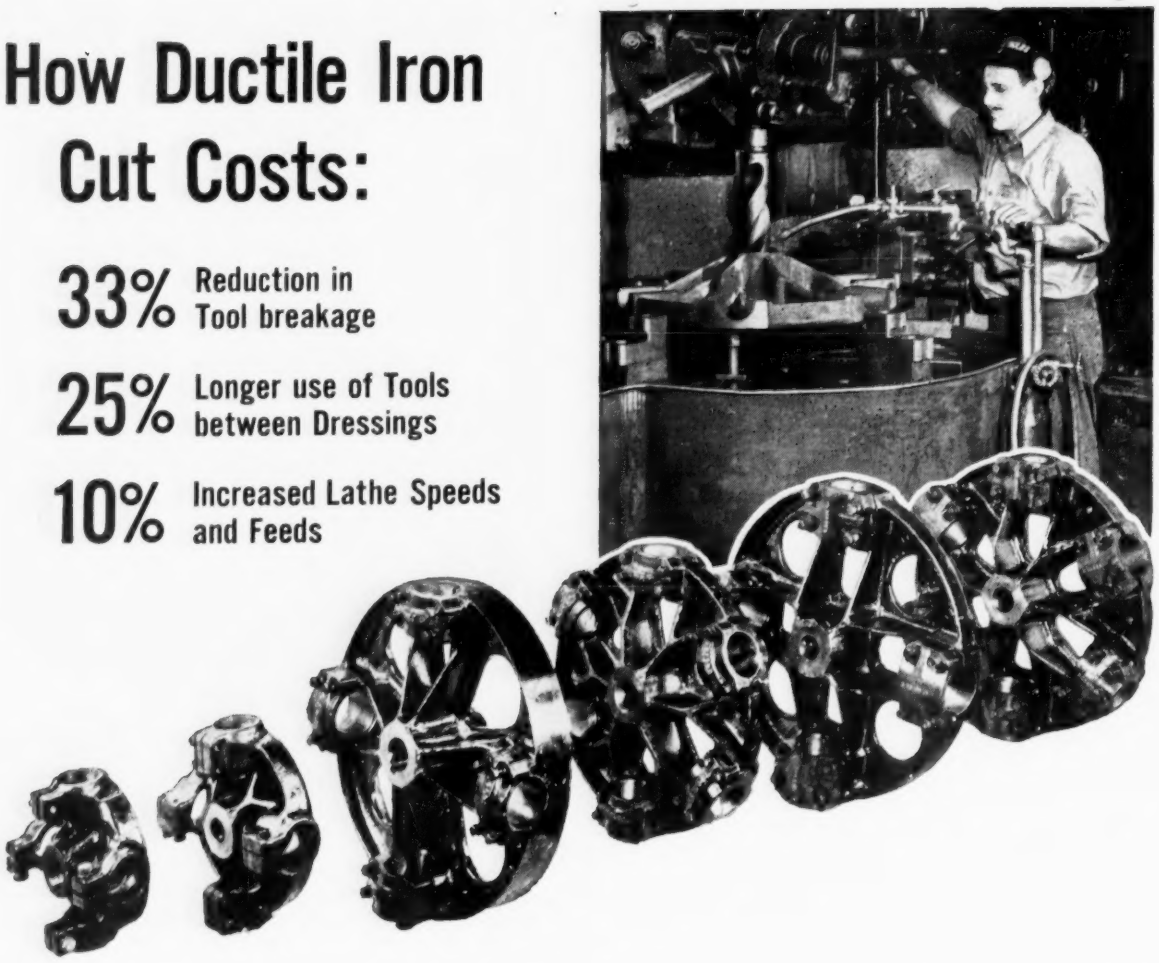

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Vulnerable to Fear

Much emphasis is being placed upon the question, "Can we talk or think ourselves into a serious business recession?" In most cases, those who may be considered competent to answer have replied that while mass psychology has a definite influence upon the action of individuals, something more substantial than mere talk is required to set off an economic crisis.

While many thoughtful persons will accept this orthodox view as sound, it may be well to consider a few aspects of the situation which have received little attention. For instance, is the United States more vulnerable than other nations to the possibility of talking itself into economic trouble?

Strangely enough, the answer is "yes." At last week's meeting of the Association of National Advertisers at Hot Springs, Va., Robert M. Gray, advertising and sales promotion manager, Esso Standard Oil Co., discussed the role of psychology in influencing economic trends. Mr. Gray, who rates great credit for co-ordinating the highly successful "Future of America" campaign of the Advertising Council, points to the significant fact that in our nation we have achieved a standard of living under which 50 per cent of the purchases by individuals are for items that are not necessities.

"It is a paradox," he says, "that as our discretionary spending power has increased, the danger that we can indeed talk and think ourselves into severe economic troubles has also increased." In short, the very fact that we have available more money than ever before to spend for nonessentials makes it easier to say "no" when rumor puts fear into our minds.

Preliminary results of the Federal Reserve Board's annual study of consumer buying plans indicate that liquid assets of consumers (savings available for spending) early in 1954 had not changed appreciably from the figures of early 1953. What has changed is the disposition of the individual to spend. He is more cautious, more conservative.

In view of this and other evidence, one wonders why politicians are going to such lengths to make more money available for spending. The money is there. Plainly the greater need is a more confident willingness to spend it.

E. L. Shaner

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

THE CONSUMERS' PLANS: In the Federal Reserve Board's annual study of consumer buying plans (p. 76), which reflects conditions of the early months of 1954, it is stated that consumers generally were found to be in a strong financial position. For instance, the

percentage of consumers who had zero liquid assets early in 1954 was 26, compared with 29 per cent early in 1953. Slightly fewer consumers had savings ranging from $1 to $199 and from $1000 to $1999 than in the previous year. The percentage of consumers who had liquid assets of from $5000 to $9999 and of $10,000 or over was the same in 1954 as in 1953. There was a slight increase in the percentage of consumers who had savings of from $200 to $499, from $500 to $999 and from $2000 to $4999 in 1954 as against 1953.

A significant feature of the study was that many consumers expressed a greater reluctance to buy in early 1954 than in early 1953. Many will buy in the last half of 1954, if at all.

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A LOOK INTO LEASING: Interest is mounting rapidly in the leasing of capital equipment. Within 60 days after one company announced a new rental plan, it had 30 leasing deals for its expensive machinery signed or pending. Another company that recently has gone into leasing its equipment says the new practice is broadening its market. All but two of its contracts are with new customers—ones who previously went to used or rebuilt equipment dealers for their needs. A materials handling equipment manufacturer says that the initial response to its leasing plan "will contribute materially to our volume of business in 1954."

These reports should be impressive enough to cause equipment builders and users to examine the subject of leasing carefully. In many instances (p. 67) there are distinct advantages for lessor and lessee. Although at the present time the amount of nongovernment capital equipment in American plants that is leased rather than owned by the user probably does not exceed 5 per cent of the total, this percentage is bound to increase.

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RIVALING A BIG FACTOR: A very important factor to be considered in management policy in the metalworking industry is the rate of technological progress. An alert staff of officers in a progressive company may decide to spend a considerable amount of money to modernize facilities in a certain manufacturing department. Having done this, the executives are prone to think that they have placed this department in a position where it will not require additional expenditures for capital equipment for many years—perhaps a decade.

This never has been a safe assumption, and today it is more than ever subject to question. The increasing tempo of improvement in almost all manufacturing operations is establishing a much more rapid pace for survival in the metalworking field. Has your company what it takes to keep up with the procession of successful enterprises?

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HOW TO SAVE MONEY: One way in which the latest improvements in the technology of the metalworking industry can be applied to the operations of your company is in connection with heat treating. Perhaps your executives have been foresighted and possibly you have heat treating equipment that is far superior to that installed in the plants of your competitors.

But unless you are outstandingly superior in your field, you will do well to study the most recent advances in heat treating methods. There are distinct opportunities (p. 102) to reduce costs appreciably without any sacrifice in quality. In fact, if your people become familiar with the most advanced practices in heat treating, they may be able to do with carbon steels and leaner alloys what earlier could be accomplished only with more costly alloy steels.

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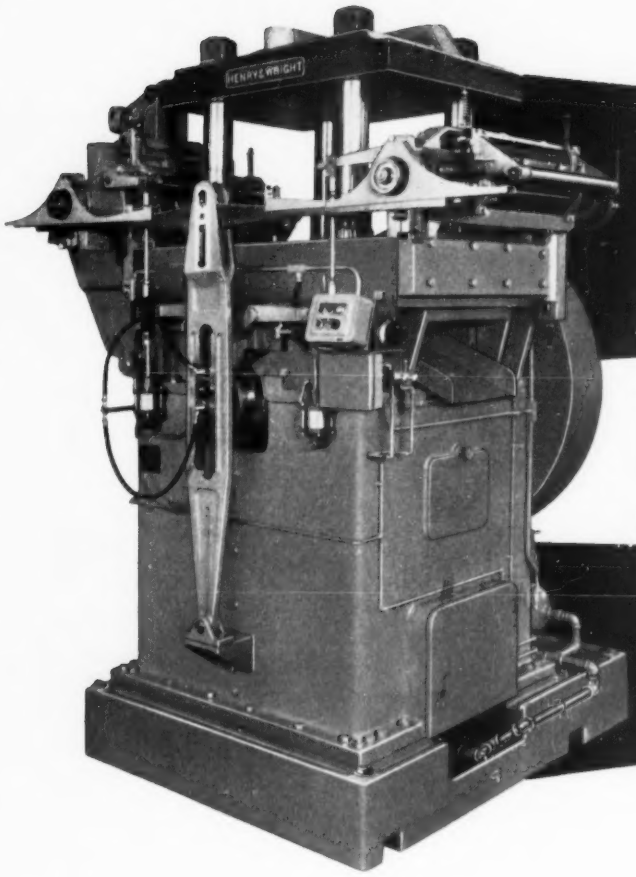
EASING 274 HEADACHES: In this issue (p. 106) J. D. Armour, chief metallurgist of the Union Drawn Steel Division of Republic Steel Corp., explains how machining tests were run on about 200 currently used types of steel—including stainless—in order to study the day-to-day problems that are encountered by the users of these steels in machining them. The tests were run on automatic screw machines to approximate the experience of the average machine tool user.

One by-product of these studies is a diagnosis of troubles encountered with tools most commonly used in connection with drilling, tapping, milling, broaching, reaming and similar operations on stainless steel. Among the things to guard against are loose spindles, dirty coolant, too much land or speed, poor chip elimination and too much chatter. The information in this article should be useful to many users of stainless steel.



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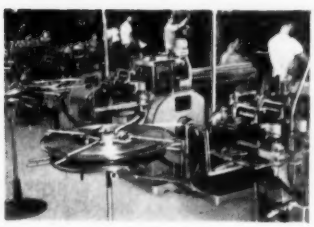

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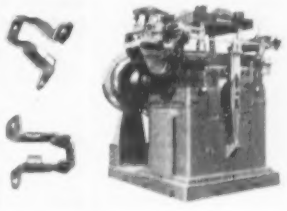

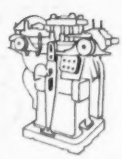

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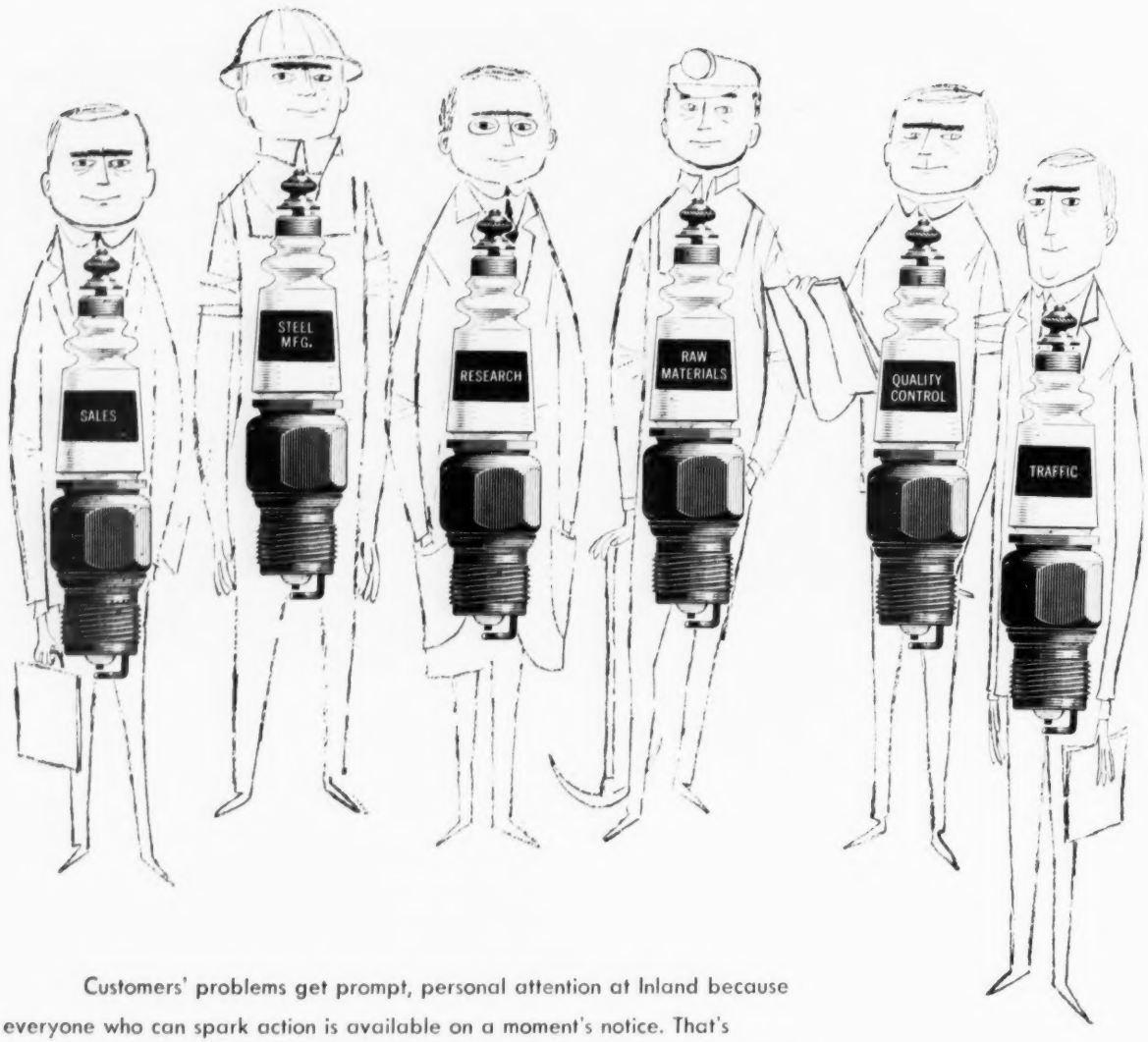

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METALWORKING'S after-tax profits will be down, but not as much as sales volume.

That's the general outlook for the first quarter of 1954, compared with the same period last year, according to a spot STEEL survey. There are, of course, exceptions to the general run, mostly companies that never had to pay an excess profits tax.

The Reasons—Executives list two reasons for the improved ratio of profits to sales: 1. The absence of excess profits tax. 2. The return to "more normal activities where a firm has greater control over its operations."

Pointing up the effect of the EPT elimination, the treasurer of an equipment producing firm says his financial statement will look like this: Sales down 23 per cent, gross profit down 32 per cent, but net profit will be equal to 1953. A Midwest firm says its after-tax earnings will be 14.3 per cent of sales in this quarter compared to 12.8 per cent last year.

Plus Factors—But not all boosts in profit ratio to sales can be attributed to the death of EPT. A New Jersey company says its sales will about equal those of 1953, but profits will be up "because of closer management."

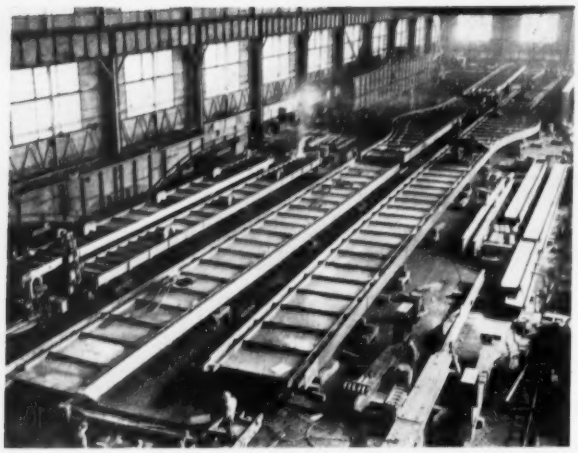
Most frequent comments for improved profit ratio given by metalworkers were these: "We've trimmed our work force and cut out overtime." "By paying more attention to purchases we've eliminated all premiums and extras on materials." "Our operations are such that we don't have to subcontract any more of our work."

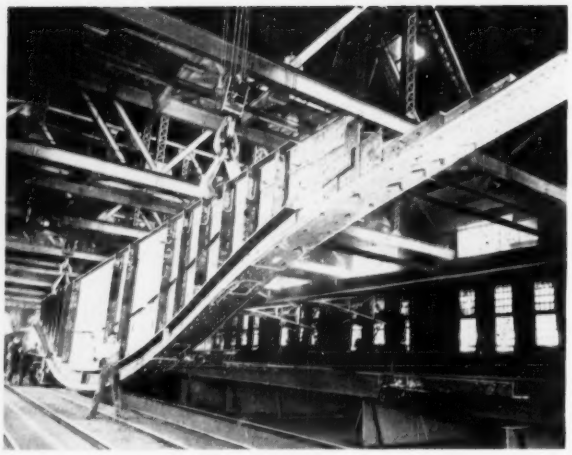
Minus Factors—Tending to push after-tax profits down as far as or farther than sales volume are idle capacity and price concessions. Lower sales volume has the severest effects on after-tax profits when an industry is heavily capitalized and thus is hardest hit when capacity is idle. And to avoid the idle capacity, that industry is most prone toward price concessions—freight absorption, elimination of premiums and other devices.

For that reason, some of the more heavily capitalized industries are exceptions to the rule that after-tax profits will be down, but not as much as sales volume in the first quarter. Some steel companies, for example, in the first quarter are finding their after-tax profits down to a greater degree than in industry generally. A few industries—notably aircraft—find operations still are high, and both sales and profits increases are expected to show on this quarter's financial statements.

Business Picture—Over-all, this is the picture executives outlined for this quarter's activities: Sales, compared with 1953, are down from 10 to 40 per cent, with 15 to 20 per cent being the average. Net profits will vary from near the zero point to 10 per cent increases over last year. Red ink will definitely be the exception. Stacked up against the record earnings and sales of 1953, the figures are sobering. But genuine optimism was still the general tenor of the executives' comments.

Another factor in addition to general operational economies which will play an important part in the profits picture is diversification. Small companies in particular, where one or two good-sized orders can often spell the





Haunch and Fish Belly for a Brace of Bridges

Four "haunch" girders for Garden State Parkway over the Raritan river in New Jersey are being constructed by Bethlehem Steel at Pottstown, Pa. Largest weigh 95 tons.

Eight of these 57-ton "fish belly" girders will help support twin bridges for New York Thruway at Montezuma, N.Y. American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel, is building them

difference between profit and loss, are diversifying. A Connecticut company estimates its first-quarter earnings will be up 20 per cent because of "exploitation of new products and increased territories and coverage."

Outlook Favorable — For the profits picture for the remainder of the year, most executives still believe the year-end statements will show less than a 10-per-cent drop in net profits. Definite new order increases in the first two weeks of March have been noted by many companies, giving more strength to the indications for a business upturn.

This outlook plus continued improvement in the ratio of profits to sales adds optimism for good profits in 1954.

Trade Balance Drops in '53

The nation's foreign trade balance in 1953 was the smallest of any postwar year, reports the Office of Business Economics, Department of Commerce. Omitting military aid, exports exceeded imports by $400 million; in 1952 the balance was about $2.3 billion.

Total exports of goods and services last year were valued at $21.3 billion, including $4.3 billion under military aid programs. Imports totaled $16.6 billion, according to department figures.

Unemployment Still Rising

Forty more major markets show added surplus of workers, but rate of increase declines

FORTY major labor market areas showed increased surpluses of labor in the mid-March survey of the Labor department's Bureau of Employment Security. Of the forty, nine moved into the substantial labor surplus category, making a total of fourteen added to this group since January. The number of major areas now in the substantial labor surplus classification is now 34. In addition, the bureau lists 46 smaller areas in the Group IV labor surplus category.

Problem Spots—The nine major areas added to the substantial surplus category are: Charleston, W. Va.; Portland, Oreg.; Chattanooga, Tenn.; Duluth - Superior, Minn.-Wis.; Huntington - Ashland, W. Va.-Ky.; Paterson, N. J.; Racine, Wis.; San Antonio, Tex.; Wheeling-Steubenville, W. Va. - O. The five added in February were: Detroit and Battle Creek, Mich.; Toledo; South Bend, Ind.; Davenport-Rock Island-Moline, Iowa-Ill.

Job declines in a wide range of industries, rather than selected lines as was the case a few months ago, were responsible for the unemployment increase. Declining employment in major production centers during the winter affected workers in basic steel, nonferrous metals, ordnance materials, shipbuilding, electronics and electrical equipment and textiles.

But the rate of unemployment increase seems to be slackening in a substantial number of areas, particularly in centers producing aircraft and certain appliances.

Steel Pay Costs Up, Hours Down

Employment and hours of work per wage earner in the iron and steel industry were down in January, but average hourly payroll costs were up, according to American Iron & Steel Institute.

Employment was estimated at 644,900 compared with 655,800 in December and 683,800 in January, 1953. Wage earners worked an average of 35.7 hours a week compared with 37 hours in December and 40.7 hours a year ago. Hourly payroll costs of wage earners averaged $2.294 or 1.5 cents higher than in December and 7.8 cents higher than January, 1953.

Despite the decline, employment in January remained 9400 above the average in 1950, and the total January payroll of about $251 million, compared with about $264-million in December, was still higher than in any month prior to 1952.

Republic Steel

Signs of stronger ordering in fasteners lead to the question . . .

Reawakening in Fastener Markets?

Yes, some. At least the drastic downtrend in industry sales seems to have leveled off in first quarter, 1954. Inventory adjustments may be over

HAS INDUSTRY completed its inventory adjustments on fasteners?

Fastenermakers think so. And there are definite signs that they're right.

Time of Change—No one in business today needs to be told with what interest fastener manufacturers have been looking for an end to this adjustment. Dollar sales of the fastener industry have been on a bumping-downward trend since mid-1953.

For first quarter, 1953, industry dollar sales were about $128 million; for second quarter, $130 million; for third quarter, $109 million; and for fourth quarter, 1953, $103 million. First quarter, 1954, which was to have been the turning point in sales volume, turned out to be no better than fourth quarter, 1953. But—here's the point—it wasn't appreciably worse either.

Signs of the Times—While many of the 300 firms in the industry report 1954 sales estimates as down anywhere from 10 to 25 per cent below 1953 sales, currently orders are coming in at fairly good rates. One firm, for example, says its farm equipment customers are again reordering after a quiet 1953, though at rates nearly one-third below those of the preadjustment period. These are apparently for current production as orders are always wanted "yesterday." This fastener firm believes the farm equipment producers are through their inventory adjustments.

Appliance customers, after some extreme flip-flops in ordering during 1953, have settled down to a fairly stable volume — although again at rates reduced from those prior to mid-1953. Stovemakers are cited as an exception to that stability. Fastener manufacturers generally believe the auto firms are through their inventory corrections as far as fasteners are concerned. Ordering went from a 90-day basis to a 30-day basis during the last six months of 1953. The quicker deliveries demanded, plus the sharper pencils being found in Detroit these days, convince fastener people the automotive trade is back to its prewar normal—competitive as the devil.

Timely Ordering—Of other major industry customers, aircraft business is still fairly good but inclined to change rapidly. There's still some shifting of fastener stocks from one model to another going on, it's believed. The railroads are at best holding their own with last year's volume. They're expected to get worse. Structural steel requirements are one of the bright spots in demand. Never too heavy in fastener inventory, structural fabricators have maintained a good volume of fastener ordering right along. Jobber customers are definitely finished with their inventory shake-outs. Ordering from this direction has been on a speed-up since late last year; some fastenermakers report they've had to build up their own inventories of finished goods to help meet this rush-rush demand.

Prices on smaller sizes of standard screws are weak, but prices on rivets, larger standard fasteners and specials are still stable.

These signs of increased new order activity should not be construed in any way to mean orders are as large as they were in early 1953 and before. Orders generally are smaller and more frequent. But fastener manufacturers are happy that at least the state of suspended animation among their customers seems to be passing. It's a good sign for industry generally, too, since fastener buying is quick to react to ups or downs in metalworking demand.

Manganese Recovery Beginning

The new Coxton blast furnace near Pittston, Pa., is being placed in operation on a trial run basis by its owner, Mangaslag Inc., Washington. Unless difficulties are encountered, the furnace will begin continuous operation about May 1 reclaiming manganese from basic open-hearth slag. About 500 tons of slag containing some 35 tons of manganese will be processed daily.

The furnace's raw material, a 17 to 21-per-cent manganese spiegeleisen contaminated by about 4 per cent phosphorus, will be charged into a basic lined bessemer converter and subjected to selective oxidation. The final product is to be a superior ferro-grade manganese ore containing 55 to 60 per cent manganese, less than 5 per cent iron and less than 0.1 per cent phosphorus.

What You Can Do To Stabilize the Economy

- **Avoid inventory speculation.**
- **Exploit fully potentialities of research.**
- **Improve marketing methods and sales efforts.**
- **Get your debts on a longer-term basis.**
- **Base capital outlays on the long-term view.**

CED RECOMMENDS—

Preventive Medicine for Recession

WHAT CAN BE DONE about a recession?

The Committee of Economic Development's "Defense Against Recession: Policy for Greater Economic Stability" reports how recessions can be minimized by you, by financial institutions and by the government.

The Effect—Recessions, according to CED, have sometimes been initiated by declines in inventories and have almost always been aggravated by such declines. "Some decline in business inventories is probably normal when the volume of production and sales falls off. But the extent of the decline that typically occurs in a recession is unnecessarily and uneconomically great. Overexpansion of inventories in the boom, price speculation, exaggerated pessimism and credit stringency share the blame."

Another responsibility of individual businesses to help stabilize the economy is that of exploiting the potentialities of research in the development of new products and improved production methods, says CED. New products satisfy new wants and generate demand, which must keep growing if depressions and recessions are to be avoided. Improved production methods help reduce cost and get more products to more people.

Sales Angle — A third point stressed: If sales decline, businesses should not cut selling effort and advertising budgets as they have done in the past. "They should appraise the possibilities that will exist for maintaining sales by redoubled effort in an economy where income and savings will still be large."

Commenting upon plant and equipment expenditures, CED says business should base its expenditures on a long-term view of the current state of business in the perspective of what rate of growth and degree of stability can be expected. A long-term plan should include provision for financing that is not entirely dependent upon current profits; it might well include preparations for stepping up maintenance and modernization operations when current production declines. This should tend to reduce cyclical fluctuations in investment. (For industry's plans for capital expenditures in 1954, see STEEL, Mar. 22, p. 44.)

Everybody Can Help — In its study CED lists steps available to financial institutions and the government in contributing to the stabilizing of the economy.

Financial institutions, recommends CED, should co-operate with business in getting a larger part of business debt into long-term form which is less vulnerable to recession. They should continue to extend credit on sound loans in the event that a recession occurs.

Government Tools — Highlights of measures available to the government are: Through Federal Reserve it can provide for expansion of the supply of money and credit needed by a growing economy. A budget policy should be adopted which would not try to eliminate large deficits automatically emerging in a recession but which would produce surpluses to reduce the debt when employment is above a standard high level. Unemployment compensation benefits could be raised and duration and coverage extended. Businesses should be allowed to carry back operating losses to apply against the profits of the two preceding years. Public works programs should be worked out in advance to be set in operation when needed.

Current factors tending to make the economy better able to overcome recessions than in the past include: Stronger national financial condition; lower business and farm debts, relative to assets and earnings; private debt is on a longer-term basis; consumers' assets are large; financial institutions are able to keep credit channels open to encourage expansion; unemployment compensation; social security; and farm price supports.

Caution—Two factors in applying measures to stabilize the economy are stressed by CED: 1. In the early stages of a decline, unless there is strong evidence of a serious recession, we must rely on more flexible instruments, particularly upon monetary policy. 2. Such measures as tax reductions and public works programs should be reserved for more serious situations.

FCC Asked To Reopen File

The Committee on Manufacturers Radio Use has asked the Federal Communications Commission to reinstate in full its Petition for the Establishment of a Manufacturers Radio Service. This file could be used to present new information relating to the use of radio by yard-area manufacturing companies and as a backlog of information in consideration of new requests for special frequency allocations, says CMRU.

HERMAN W. STEINKRAUS

New Worlds for Bridgeport Brass

PITTING its 89 years of copper alloy know-how against the challenge of other metals, Bridgeport Brass Co. is looking for new worlds to conquer.

Biggest step to date came last month when the Connecticut firm took over management of the big Air Force aluminum extrusion and forging plant at Adrian, Mich. Besides aluminum, the company is showing interest in titanium, magnesium and stainless steel.

Flexibility—"I think our entry into other metals over a range of time will double our business—perhaps within ten years," predicts Herman W. Steinkraus, president.

"We're basically chemists and metallurgists; not being primary metal producers, we aren't limited to any one metal," says Mr. Steinkraus. Nonintegration is no handicap—it gives the company flexibility to move in promising directions, he feels.

Merger of Metals—Most significant of the company moves is the one to aluminum. The broad advance of copper and brass companies into aluminum is no longer a minor trend: Just about every major company in the field is now processing aluminum or planning to do so.

The combination of red and white metals is not new to industry. Back in 1889 the nation's oldest brass firm, Scovill Mfg. Co., rolled aluminum into commercial strip and today sells it in 2000-pound continuous coils. Revere Brass & Copper Co. is the nation's largest nonintegrated fabricator of wrought aluminum.

Wire Mills, Too—Nearly all copper wire mills now turn out aluminum to supplement or compete with copper in a growing number of applications. For example, steel-reinforced aluminum cable (ACSR) now dominates the field for power transmission lines. Even the big copper producers have not turned their backs: A subsidiary of Anaconda Mining Co. will be producing primary aluminum this year; Kennecott Copper Corp. recently completed a sizable stock investment in Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp.

Since the aluminum industry patterned much of its equipment after that of brass mills, the switch isn't difficult. Essentially, only different auxiliary equipment (such as billet furnaces and quenching equipment) is needed for most extrusion, rolling, drawing and heat-treating operations. Rolling mills must be wider, though, as bulk of aluminum rolling is in wide sheet. Operating skills required to process both metals are much the same.

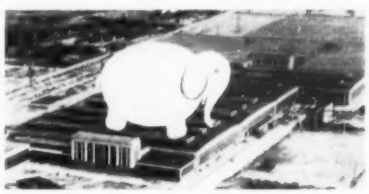
Room to Move—Aluminum has figured in Bridgeport Brass Co.'s operations since 1951; limited quantities of sheet, tube and extrusions are now being produced. The Adrian acquisition gives the company opportunity to operate on a much larger scale.

Strangely, three months before it took possession, Bridgeport management had no idea it would be running a $30-million, 800,000-square-foot plant so soon. In mid-November the company was invited to bid for the lease. On Dec. 1 it made a complete presentation of what it believed was needed. The proposal was accepted in mid-December, and management moved in Feb. 22.

Well Equipped—At Adrian are 16 extrusion presses, forging presses ranging in capacity up to 16,500 tons, and a variety of auxiliary processing equipment for working aluminum, magnesium and titanium. The company plans to "build a background of commercial operation to fulfill our primary purpose serving the Air Force." It will market rod and tube produced at Adrian through its present nationwide selling organization.

European processing ideas will

WHITE ELEPHANT CLUB



WHEN BRIDGEPORT BRASS moved into the big Air Force aluminum plant in Adrian, Mich., the *Detroit Free Press* described it as a "white elephant." In 12 years the $30 - million, 800,000 - square - foot plant has had as tenants Bohn Aluminum & Brass Corp., Kaiser-Frazer Corp., Gerity-Michigan Corp., Reynolds Metals Co., Bohn for a second term, and now Bridgeport Brass.

Replying to the newspaper, company president Herman W. Steinkraus pointed out that "Bridgeport is the home of P. T. Barnum—he knew how to handle elephants." Plans were promptly initiated to symbolize the challenge by building a big white elephant and forming a White Elephant Club for plant personnel. The company hopes to be operating profitably by summer and will celebrate the event by painting the symbolic elephant a rosy pink.

likely figure in the company's plans.

Know-How—Last year Bridgeport Brass signed a five-year contract with Vereinigte Deutsche Metallwerke, Frankfurt, Germany, to use the latter's research, design and operating experience in processing copper, brass and aluminum with the same machines.

The company holds the U. S. contract to develop the Ugine Sejournet hot-extrusion process in copper, brass and aluminum. The French process, which uses molten glass as a lubricant and has proved successful in extruding steel, is now used regularly on some copper-base alloys by Bridgeport. Faster rates and lower tool costs are reported, as well as ability to extrude some alloys that can't be worked without a lubricant. Having experimented with titanium on a small scale since 1948, the company may be turning in that direction also.

Consumer Product—On the market "some time in 1954" will be a line of Bridgeport Brass cooking utensils of stainless steel and copper. Design features two thin sheets of stainless enclosing an inner sheet of copper to combine good heat transfer with tarnish resistance. Company buys stainless circles; cladding and drawing are performed in Bridgeport.

A new seamless tube mill in Bridgeport is nearing completion. Utilizing three and five-draw layouts, the mill is capable of drawing tube in 130-foot lengths. "There's nothing to prevent our making aluminum tube in the new mill if volume of brass tube doesn't hold up," says Mr. Steinkraus. Also installed recently was a Yoder electric welding machine for turning out nonferrous welded tubing at high speeds.

The Payoff—The brass firm is in good shape financially for its big challenge. Sales in 1953 spurted $15 million over 1952 to $142.6 million, and net income was up $1.3 million to $5.3 million. Even more impressive, a gain of $5.5 million was registered in cash assets, and current assets were up $12 million to slightly over $50-million. If Mr. Steinkraus' predictions are borne out, the company's sales by 1964 will approach the $300-million mark.

ICC Approves Steel Rail Rate Cuts

New rail rates in northeastern U. S. went into effect on Mar. 26. Quick approval by the Interstate Commerce Commission sends traffic managers scurrying for new schedules

IMMEDIATE transportation cost savings. That's what the railroad rate reductions effective Mar. 26 on certain steel shipments mean to steel users in northeastern U. S.

Rate reductions range up to 20 per cent and will apply on what amounted to 40 million revenue tons of traffic during 1953 in the Official Territory (bounded generally by the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers and the Atlantic ocean). Railroaders say they're carrying about 45 per cent of that traffic now; would like to increase their percentage to about 85 per cent (see STEEL, Mar. 22, p. 39).

Diversion Determinations—Quick approval of the new rates by the Interstate Commerce Commission on Mar. 22 has traffic managers of steel shipping and receiving firms burning the midnight oil. Traffic men report surveys and comparisons now being made will determine what percentage of their steel shipments will be diverted from trucks to rails. These analyses will take from a week to 10 days to complete.

One of the questions being raised in these surveys is whether rail service is good enough to meet time schedules and inplant routing even though it will be cheaper in many cases now. In some cases steel receiving firms report they'll have to make new arrangements to receive rail shipments after months of strictly truck deliveries. To be decided, too, is what steel mills will charge on products for which they quote delivered prices when the receiver stipulates truck delivery. Probable answer is that the mills will ship by truck. If that transportation cost is higher, customer will be charged the difference by the steel producer.

Proof Positive—All these are relatively minor considerations, however, when stacked against the cost savings now possible by rail shipments. And it's certain that substantial tonnages will be diverted to the rails. Proof of that are protests by truckers that the new rail rates may force them out of the steel hauling business.

Truckers say they have three avenues of action open to them: One is to sit still and hope that the flexible service offered by truck deliveries will hold enough tonnage for them to operate profitably without other action; another is to adjust truck rates downward somewhere between present rates and the new rail rates; or finally to go out of business so that remaining firms can survive on the tonnage still available to truck carriers. It will take 30 to 60 days, say the truckers, before the extent of diversion away from trucks can be adequately measured. In the meantime, they've adopted a wait-and-see attitude.

Open Door—The ICC has left the door open to a complete investigation of both truck and rail rates in the Official Territory. This may bring further rate adjustments. But the ICC decision of last week settled one thing: Rail transportation of steel in northeastern U. S. is going to be cheaper

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starting last week. And for steel users, that's a step in the right direction.

Tool Shipments Up, Orders Down

Shipments of machine tools went up in February, but new orders declined, according to National Machine Tool Builders' Association.

The association's index, based on 1945-1947 figures, estimates February shipments at 321.3, compared to 319.4 in January. New orders were down to 160.2 from the previous month's 173.5. Foreign orders also dropped, from 19.1 in January to 14.8.

The new index on shipments is the highest since last October and substantially above December's 301.4. And even though new orders are down, they still are at a higher level than last November and December.

Czech Mill Equipment for Sale

Steel mill equipment for which its Czechoslovakian owners paid $16 million was ordered sold by Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey. The equipment was ordered from an American manufacturer before the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia but was not completed until after the Reds took over. Export was prevented by the Export Control Law.

The property was manufactured by United Engineering & Foundry Co., Pittsburgh, and includes a hot strip mill, cold strip mill and cold sheet mill. Laurence B. Robbins, Foreign Assets Control, Treasury department, was appointed receiver; he has called for sealed bids on the property as a whole and on its various principal parts. Bids will be opened Apr. 28.

To Taxi on a Tether

Convair XFY-1, Navy's new vertical takeoff delta-wing fighter, is due for "Vertical taxi" tests soon. Plane will be suspended from a cable attached to nose; other cables will run to hangar floor so plane can be controlled from ground during tests

U.S. Catalog Job To Cut Steel Costs

A giant five-step program will standardize, simplify and catalog steel specifications so that U. S. procurement can conform where possible to commercial practice

THE FEDERAL government is now well along on a program to cut the costs of the steel it buys for defense and other purposes.

Top man in the project is Roger F. Hepenstal, on leave from American Can Co. to serve as assistant secretary of defense of cataloging, standardization and inspection. His task: To simplify federal specifications and to avoid paying needless extras for steel products by conforming wherever possible to commercial practice. The procedure has been to standardize specifications used by various government branches and to catalog the many physical and chemical specifications available in steel products. The work under way in the Department of Defense is embraced in these five projects:

No. 1—H-8 Handbook of Steel and Iron Wrought Products, already issued by the Department of Defense. It puts between two covers all the information brought up to date and published in various manuals of the American Iron & Steel Institute. Its purpose is to inform procurement officers as to what products and services the steel industry furnishes commercially and to avoid extra charges.

No. 2—Federal Standards No. 48, just issued by General Services Administration. Its purpose is to sum up and put in one volume all commercial tolerances to enable procurement officers to avoid needless extra charges that would be entailed in demanding closer than the commercial tolerances.

No. 3—Standard Chemical Composition, not yet numbered and probably to be issued as a federal standard GSA. It will put in one book all the commercial chemical compositions for steel products so as to enable the procurement officers to refrain from demanding what would cost extra.

No. 4—All military and federal specifications, numbering some 300 altogether, are to be reviewed. Work already has been initiated on 14, and it will take a long time to go through the list. All these military and federal specifications will be reviewed to determine whether they should and can be revised to accord with commercial practice wherever possible so as to avoid paying needless extra charges. This cannot be done in all cases as some 15 per cent of government's steel procurement involves aircraft steels, armor and other ordnance steels which cannot be procured to commercial specifications.

No. 5—Revision is in progress of Federal Specifications QQM-151, Testing and Inspection of Ferrous and Nonferrous Materials, so as to bring this book in line to as great an extent as possible with the commercial practices O.K.'d by ASTM.

The current revision being made by General Motors Corp. for Air Materiel Command in the Air Force Specifications Handbook known as DSMAH-1 does not involve any of the above work. H-1 is a cross-index of chemically equivalent specifications established by the various services. The general content of the book will not be changed appreciably since the principal object of the revision is to include aluminum and titanium.

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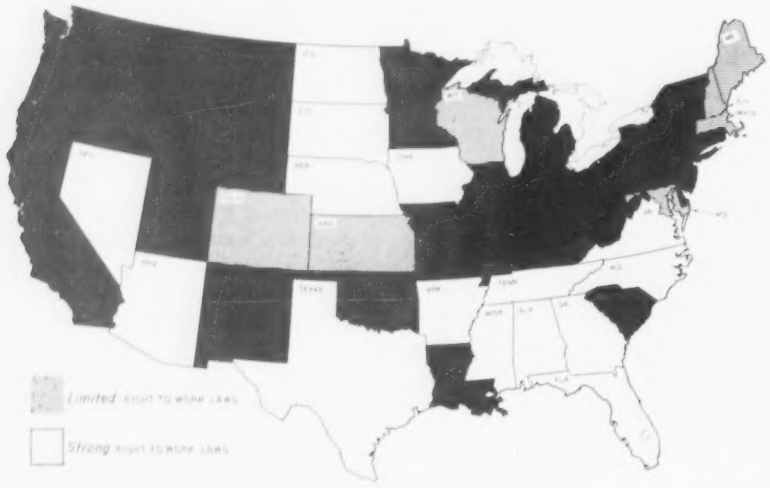

States Act, Tighten Labor Laws As Congress Talks, Talks, Talks

WHILE Congressional committees talk, talk, talk about federal labor law changes, many states are acting to bring about a little-noted tightening in legislation affecting unions.

The force of economics is proving stronger than politics as states seeking new businesses to locate within their boundaries find that a right-to-work law is a helpful argument. Those statutes generally outlaw or sharply limit closed shops.

Right-to-work legislation is now most common in the South as southern states push to lure new employers. The trend is to locate new industries and new branch plants, other factors being equal, in states with the best labor as well as economic climate.

Take the Chicago Packer . . .

The Oklahoma City meat packing case illustrates the importance of this issue in attracting new companies. A Chicago meat packer had practically decided on a deal whereby he would locate a branch in Oklahoma City. But at the last minute he changed his mind and shifted to Texas. Reason: Texas has a right-to-work law; Oklahoma doesn't.

There now is a good range of selection for plant locations in states having right-to-work laws, and the number of states with such laws is increasing. In February the governor of Mississippi signed a law patterned after the strong Alabama law. A similar law has gone through one house in South Carolina and is expected to sail through the other and be signed by the governor. Not counting South Carolina, 15 states today have right-to-work laws: Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Alabama and Mississippi.

A tendency to make these laws stronger after they once have been put in the statute book has been noted. Virginia, for example, is amending its law to include fines and other enforcement teeth.

Five Go Part Way . . .

In addition to the states with outright right-to-work laws, five others have laws which prove attractive to many employers by going at least part of the way in restricting union security—Colorado, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts and Wisconsin.

Still other states have bans of limited scope. Maine prohibits the closed shop but permits the union shop. New Hampshire prohibits union security agreements in establishments with five or fewer employees.

On the other hand six states including Maine had such right-to-work laws and repealed them. A number like California and New Mexico rejected state right-to-work constitutional amendments. But, under agitation from businessmen and a growing realization of the benefits from getting new industries and holding existing ones, the states which have rejected right-to-work laws could change their minds.

All Are Paramount . . .

Paramountcy of such state laws is assured by Section 13 of the Taft-Hartley Act that nothing in T-H can be used to validate union security agreements in states prohibiting them. The trend in Congress in this direction is reflected in H. R. 8211, a new bill introduced by influential Rep. Howard W. Smith (Dem., Va.) which would prevent an act of Congress from being construed as overriding similar state laws unless the act expressly provided for it to do so.

As to Taft-Hartley amendments that may be enacted at this session, nothing has been proposed to take away from the paramountcy of state right-to-work laws. As a matter of fact, decisions by the House Labor Committee in writing a bill reflect an intention of reducing the federal government's authority in the field of labor-management relations.

That's particularly true in the decision to transfer from the National Labor Relations Board to the federal courts jurisdiction over all cases involving unfair labor practices. The courts have a reputation for greater impartiality than does NLRB.

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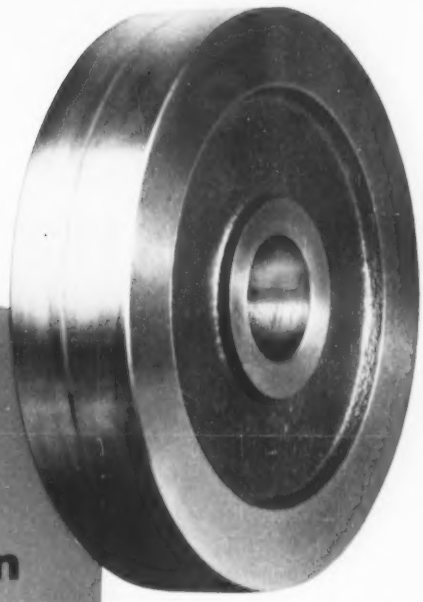

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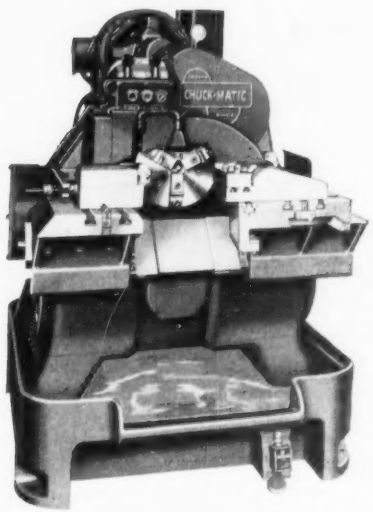

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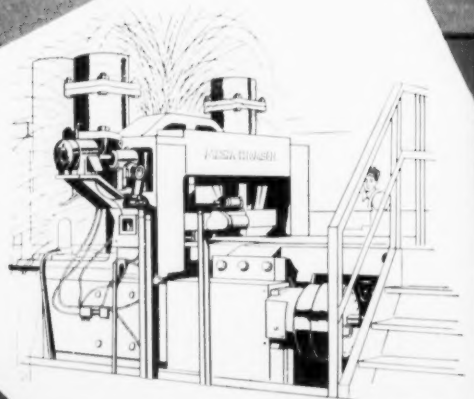

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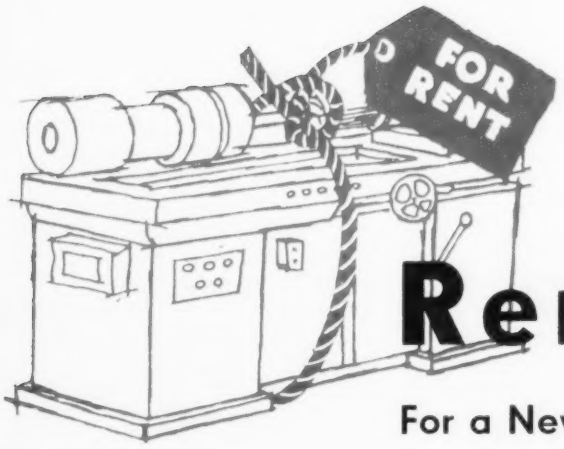


Renting . . .

For a New Lease on Business Life

NEED NEW EQUIPMENT? It's American industry's greatest need, particularly because of today's competitive economy. A sound re-equipment program can increase your efficiency and lower your costs.

It's a myth that the American industrial plant is universally well equipped. Over-age, obsolete and inefficient machinery bulks surprisingly large because of inflation, unsatisfactory government depreciation rules and, sometimes, management's inertia.

But leasing may be one way to finance your plans. This is Part I in a three-part series on leasing. Part II appears next week. Not everyone should lease, but everyone should consider the possibility because here's one means of broadening markets if you're a builder or of getting the latest equipment at minimum capital outlay if you're a user.

EQUIPMENT LEASING is something like free love—both have cost advantages over ownership or marriage; both involve relationships that may be terminated fairly easily; both are subject to legal difficulties not found in the more conventional arrangements; both are probably more talked about than practiced.

From Talk to Action—But the talk about leasing is changing to action, particularly among capital equipment manufacturers. "The practice of leasing has grown so rapidly that many tax consequences and decisions are still unknown," says Frank Griesinger, assistant treasurer of Lincoln Electric Co., Cleveland, manufacturer of welding equipment.

Why all the interest? Actually, the practice of leasing real estate, construction equipment, automobiles, over-the-road trucks and special machinery, like shoemaking, canmaking and office equipment, is old. Leasing of general capital equipment was comparatively rare until about 1939. Then, higher taxes, plus the already unrealistic Government depreciation schedules, gave it a forced-draft growth that has continued for 15 years.

Still Potent—With slightly lower taxes and the prospects for liberalized depreciation, interest in leasing is stronger than ever. That's because alert capital equipment makers see in it a device to broaden markets, and equipment users see in it a way to save on capital—both motives that have little to do with taxes or depreciation.

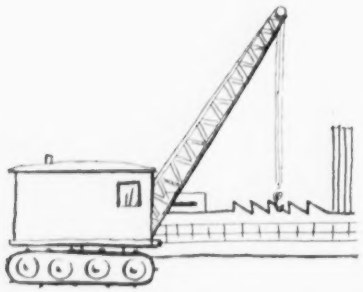
Nobody knows how much non-government capital equipment is leased, but the total is not yet high, probably less than 5 per cent of all apparatus not U. S. owned that exists in American plants. Nor will the total ever approach the amount that is owned by the user. Leasing will always be like sauce on a steak, the something extra that adds flavor to the meat of marketing, which is selling.

Why Builders Lease—Kearney & Trecker Corp., Warner & Swasey Co., Monarch Machine Tool Co., Clark Equipment Co., Yale & Towne Mfg. Co. are just a few of the companies that have introduced formal leasing plans for their equipment within the last year. Many other companies have no publicized schedule but are ready to deal that way with a customer if he wishes. Within 60 days of the announcement of one plan, the company had 30 leasing deals for its expensive machinery signed or pending.

"The move is broadening our

market," that company says. All but two of the contracts we have signed thus far are with new customers, people that formerly went to the used and rebuilt dealers for their equipment." Yale & Towne says the initial response to its leasing plan "will contribute materially to our volume of business in 1954."

Flexibility — Leasing also offers greater flexibility to a manufacturer's program. Some customers who have the money to buy prefer to lease because they can use their



Contractors, realtors commonly lease

capital more advantageously elsewhere. A large retailer who owns 400 lift trucks is considering leasing all or part of them in the future, even though his company obviously has or can easily get the funds for outright purchase.

Stability — Leasing also offers greater stability of income to a capital equipment maker, a marked advantage to that feast-or-famine industry. Take the hypothetical case of a manufacturer who has leased enough equipment to bring him a rental income of $100,000 in 1953. His production of new equipment in 1954 declines 10 per cent, the average for his industry, but his rental income holds at the same level because of the machinery he leased in better years.

From a single lease, a lessor probably makes no more profit than on a sale, but his income is spread out more from a lease. And leasing can put him in a better cash position during slumps, too. That can result in a tax advantage, likewise, because in periods of economic decline corporate taxes tend to drop.

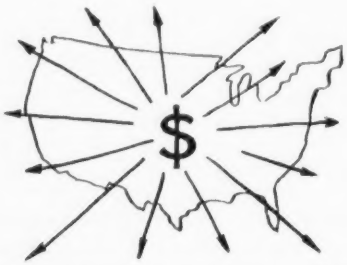
Side Benefits—The lessor can count on some side benefits, too. His equipment sitting in the lessee's plant gives him a natural entree to the company—important when he has a product to sell that is used by or in the machine or has accessories to sell for the equipment.

Of all the advantages for a lessor, the most important one is to broaden markets. That possibility exists even if the capital equipment is relatively inexpensive. Lincoln Electric, for example, is studying the situation, although the average cost of its welding apparatus is only about $500.

Why the User Leases—The major reason why a user considers leasing involves capital. Either he can't get the money to buy the equipment or he can use the money more profitably in another way. The retailer mentioned earlier prefers leasing because he has a more profitable alternate use of funds. Dependent upon rapid turnover of capital for its profits, the company finds it advantageous to tie up as little capital as possible in its capital equipment.

This alternate use of funds involves some highly technical accounting problems. One of the best discussions of the matter can be found in *The Lease as a Financing and Selling Device*, published in Ann Arbor, Mich., by the University of Michigan's Bureau of Business Research (price $2.50).

The Tax Angle—Until now, the biggest argument for leasing has been the tax shelter it affords the lessee. Bonafide rent is fully deductible as a business expense. A



Renting broadens equipment markets

machine which the Internal Revenue Service permits to be depreciated over a period of 20 years may be "written off" from the lessee's standpoint during the period the equipment is leased—in, say, seven years.

Although the tax angle undoubtedly has spurred leasing, the situation is unfortunate. Emphasis on taxes has obscured other more important advantages. Now that the excess profits tax is gone and

MAPI Looks at Leasing

IS LEASING just a current fad that will eventually fade like the rumble seat in autos?

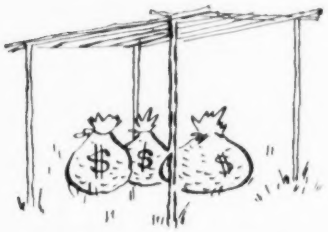
Evidence that leasing is a serious and legitimate marketing device can be found from the fact that Council for Technological Advancement, an affiliate of Machinery & Allied Products Institute, has just published a comprehensive study of the matter. CTA was moved to the action because "there is an active and increasing interest in the possibilities of leasing in many equipment fields." It points to "the growing number of leasing plans" as an indication of active and increasing interest.

The continuing study of leasing by MAPI and CTA is based on the premise that "possibilities of leasing industrial equipment exist for some companies and some products and that in those cases leasing can contribute to a more rapid rotation of capital goods and to an earlier use of new developments." CTA sees leasing as one means to "counter the ill effect of periods of reduced demand."

For details on the 20-page CTA study, check with that organization at 120 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, 3.

depreciation rules may be liberalized, the presumed tax advantage will not be so attractive. Some companies may decide against leasing because they think tax shelter the only important factor.

The tax angle also has led to ambiguous Internal Revenue Service rulings on when a lease is a



Tax shelter: Spur to leasing

bonafide rental agreement or merely a conditional sale. If a lease is a conditional sale, rent is not deductible as a business expense. The tax ambiguity "is the greatest single deterrent to leasing today," says one expert.

Other Advantages — Additional benefits to the lessee include: He avoids the danger of exceptional obsolescence; he can get newer, better equipment into his plant; he can use machinery on a test basis or for a short-run job; he can let the lessor assume the headache of service and maintenance.

Lincoln Electric's Mr. Griesinger also points out that "some financial men feel that rental payments are questioned to a lesser degree by renegotiating officers than capital asset purchases made especially for government contracts, with resulting depreciation deductions."

Leasing is most advantageous to both the equipment builder and user: When the machinery requires close and continuing co-operation between the two because of unusual service or maintenance requirements, such as with electronic equipment; when there's an expendable product used in connection with the equipment that the lessor sells, such as steel strapping or welding electrodes; and when the equipment is expensive and the user, such as a retailer or a volume producer, depends upon frequent turnover of his capital for profit.

WHY LEASE?

The Advantages

[redacted] (LESSOR)

- It broadens markets by permitting small companies to use your equipment.
- It gives flexibility to your marketing program.
- It offers greater stability of income.
- It gives you tax advantages resulting from greater income stability.
- It provides an entree into the lessee's plant to sell a product used with the equipment.

[redacted] (LESSEE)

- It permits you to modernize even if you have little capital.
- It permits you to use capital for alternate and more profitable purposes.
- It gives you newer and better equipment.
- It enables you to deduct bonafide rent as a full business expense.
- It allows you to avoid the danger of exceptional obsolescence.
- It can relieve you from the burden of service and maintenance.

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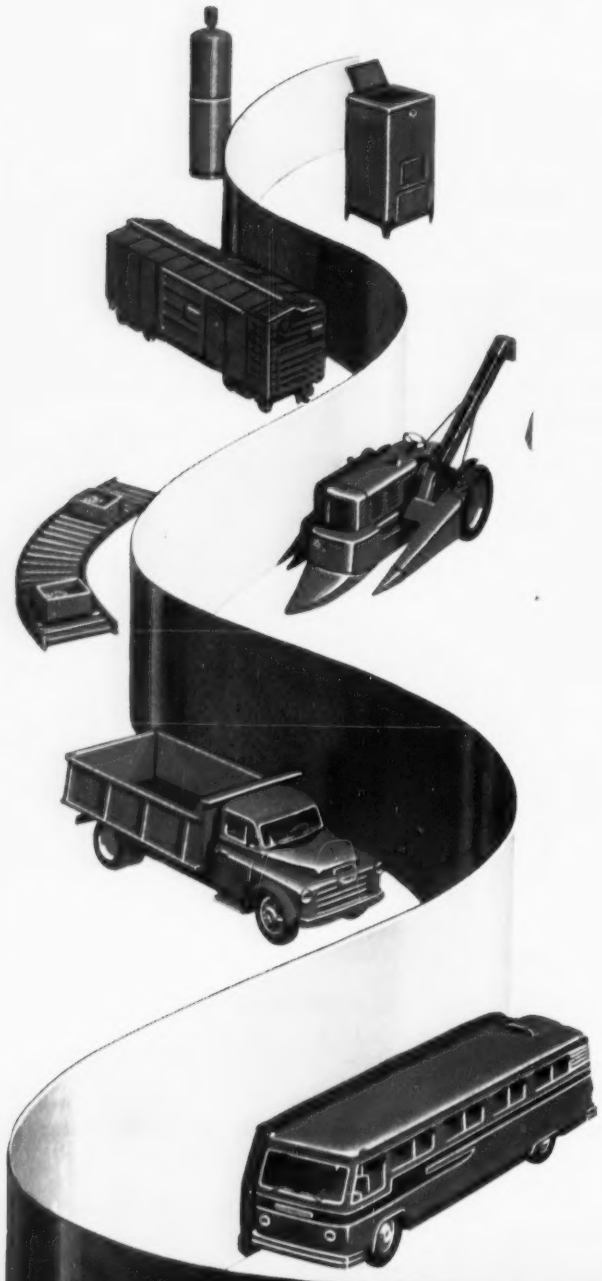
- It permits closer co-operation in unusually severe service, maintenance or technical problems.
- It permits production use of experimental models at minimum cost to user and maximum benefit to the builder.



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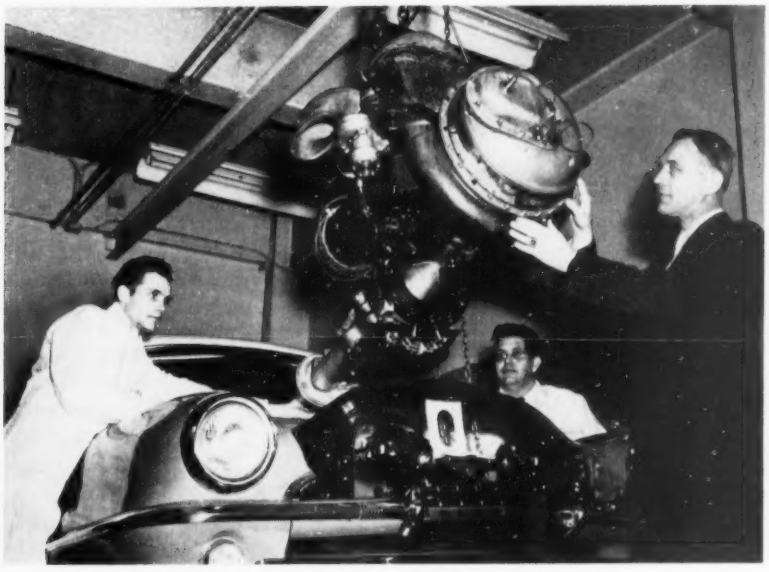

Far sooner than the public suspected . . .

Chrysler Develops a Turbine for Plymouths, but Problems Remain

DETROIT

"A GAS TURBINE engine capable of operating a current model automobile in city or highway traffic has been developed by Chrysler Corp."

That statement, without a single superlative, ranks as one of the most significant declarations to come from an automaker in years. Behind it are a few men with a limited budget who have accomplished the master anomaly of our time—a turbine-powered Plymouth. And while Chrysler is the first to point out that many questions must yet be answered before there will be a turbine in your car, the fundamental turbine design problem appears closer to solution than many had realized.

Surmounted — Less than two months ago this column pointed out some of the major obstacles to be overcome (see p. 72). Two of the most critical were poor fuel economy and hazardous exhaust gas temperatures. Chrysler's engineering and research director, Jim Zeder, believes both of these problems have been solved through a new heat exchanger. Known as a regenerator, this unit not only cools exhaust gases through heat transfer to gases being inducted, but resultant heating of the incoming gases conserves fuel otherwise required to do the job.

That essentially is the idea of the regenerator. Although the principle is not new, heat exchangers of the efficiency and capacity needed would hitherto have been too large to install in a passenger car. This unit fits comfortably under the Plymouth hood.

Top Secret — So well does the unit do its job that exhaust gases are actually cooler than those emitted by a conventional reciprocating engine at the tail pipe, and in the process fuel economy becomes competitive with current automobiles. As to how Chrysler turned the trick, this little masterpiece is the secret of the whole deal and Chrysler would like it to remain that way.

The trouble is of course that it won't. Men have a habit of transferring from one auto company to another for a price. Even if secrets weren't pollinated, you may rest assured that Ford and General Motors, who are working on the same problem, wouldn't be long in coming up with their solutions.

Nine Years — The test runs of the turbine-Plymouth were only the latest stage in more than nine years' work by Chrysler engineers. Under the direction of George J. Huebner Jr., the turbine developed is 200 pounds lighter than a reciprocating engine of comparable 160-horsepower performance and contains less than one-fifth as many major moving parts. The turbine unit, together with its set of reduction gears, is only 32 inches long, 33 inches wide and 28 inches high.

Conformity — "It is relatively simple to design much more horsepower into the turbine engine whenever it is desired," Mr. Hueb-

Auto, Truck Output

U. S. and Canada

	1954	1953
January	594,789	614,000
February	573,821	628,017
March		752,474
April		782,453
May		685,390
June		713,206
July		757,595
August		641,152
September		605,228
October		651,153
November		457,852
December		529,588
Total		7,818,108

Week Ended	1954	1953
Feb. 20	148,257	161,860
Feb. 27	145,980	167,779
Mar. 6	139,263	158,825
Mar. 13	143,478	165,762
Mar. 20	154,405	169,923
Mar. 27	158,000*	181,749

Source: Ward's Automotive Reports
*Estimated by STEEL

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HOW CHRYSLER ANSWERS THE TURBINE-SPOOFERS

The Argument	Chrysler's Answer
Fuel consumption is high, especially at part throttle.	The Chrysler turbine now gives mileage comparable to present production automobiles.
Space requirements appear large.	The Chrysler turbine fits into the Plymouth engine compartment.
Large reduction gear ratio would be required.	This is met through a double reduction drive gear setup satisfactorily.
Automotive power requirements are too low to show the turbine to its best advantage.	This turbine produces 120 horsepower comparable to similar light car engines, yields torque equal to a 160-hp engine.
Control and limiting devices must be developed to insure safe operation.	Still a car loaded with instruments and driven by experts, Chrysler engineers see no insurmountable problem in controls development for the average driver.
Separate device to produce braking torque might be required.	Better brakes will be required, either through increasing the capacity of present types, going to disc brakes or development of a magnetic type. This can be done.
Silencing might present a difficult problem.	Now almost at acceptable levels, further silencing of intake air is required and can be accomplished.
Lower first cost is questionable.	It still is. The major problem in turbine development is suitable precision manufacturing techniques for volume production and reduction in material costs.
Lower maintenance cost is doubtful.	It still is. Although there are less than one-fifth the number of moving parts, abrasive particles in the tremendous volume of air handled could make maintenance a problem. This will await suitable tests for an answer.

ner says, "but our real challenge was to design a unit in the horsepower ranges common to most cars used in everyday driving."

Major components of the Chrysler gas turbine are its air compressor unit with the first-stage turbine which drives the compressor and furnishes power for the accessories; the regenerator, which recovers heat from the exhaust gas to warm up incoming fresh air; the burner or combustion chamber; and a second-stage turbine which transmits power through a set of reduction gears to the differential and rear wheels.

Fuel—In proving ground tests, the engine burned straight-run gasoline carried in a standard 17-gallon Plymouth fuel tank. However, it will run on such mundane combustibles as kerosene and fuel oil. The turbine's surging power is inherently vibration-free because combustion is continuous and its moving parts rotate smoothly on ball or roller bearings. Air cooled, the only approximation of a radiator on the engine is a finned cooling tube for the engine oil mounted in the intake passage. The electrical system consists of a storage battery, starter-generator, coil, breaker and a single spark plug used for starting.

But two big obstacles remain to be overcome—manufacturing cost and maintenance cost. And Jim Zeder himself points out that "whether we shall ultimately see commercial production of gas turbines for passenger cars depends on the long-range solution of many complex metallurgical and manufacturing problems. There is no telling at this time how long it will take to solve these problems."

Troubles—Involved metallurgically are alloys containing molybdenum, cobalt, tungsten and chromium. Not only are these materials prohibitively expensive for mass production at the present time, but many of these materials now go to the military, precluding anything more than experimental work in the automotive field.

And in production itself new problems in close tolerances arise. The second-stage Chrysler turbine wheel was balanced on a machine which detects bearing vibrations as slight as 25 millionths of an inch, a feat which would have to be duplicated cheaply and quickly on the line. And not only do the high rotational speeds make precision balancing imperative, but parts subject to extreme stress loading will have to be made and suitably inspected quickly.

Enter, Driver—Dovetailing in with metallurgical and production problems is the consideration of a better product for the customer. Turbines cannot be produced that will be endlessly kicking their buckets.

But in a sense it may be said that the basic engineering problem is now solved. The regenerator developed by Chrysler is significant because it solves two major problems permitting the turbine to be installed in a conventional passenger car without adding a major cost penalty to the turbine itself. Now it is up to manufacturing and metallurgy to take over.

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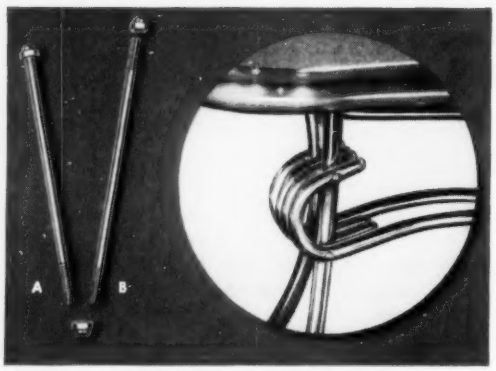

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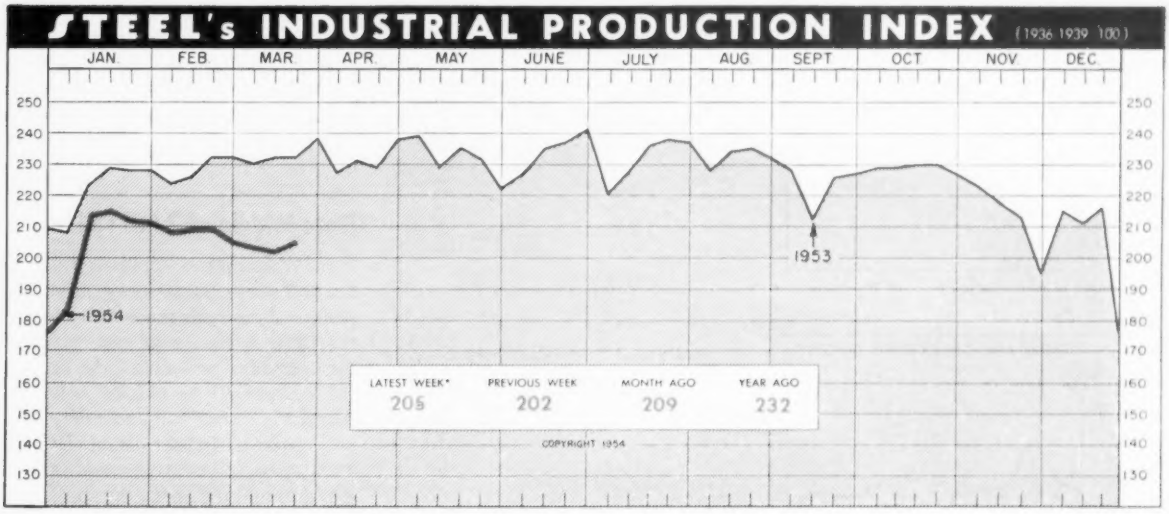
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250 240 230 220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130
1954
1953
LATEST WEEK* 205
PREVIOUS WEEK 202
MONTH AGO 209
YEAR AGO 232
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Based upon and weighted as follows: Steelworks Operations 35%, Electric Power Output 23%, Freight Car Loadings 22%, and Automobile Assemblies (Ward's Reports) 20%.

Economy Slipping? Not if Automakers Can Help It

IF SOMETHING IS WRONG with the nation's economy, either nobody has told the automakers, or the wizards of motordom have extreme confidence in the resiliency of that economy. In either case, 144,240 cars and trucks rolled off U. S. assembly lines in the week ended Mar. 20 and set a weekly high mark for the year. That is about 9 per cent above production in the preceding week and only 6 per cent below the similar week of peak 1953, says *Ward's Automotive Reports*.

With the spring splurge setting in, it is fairly certain that this quarter will go down as the third-best first quarter in the history of the industry, exceeded only by 1953 and 1951. *Ward's* estimates that by Mar. 31, about 1,416,000 automobiles will have rolled off the lines so far this year. Compare that with 1,519,895 in first quarter, 1953, and 1,610,751 in first quarter, 1951, and you get an idea of the optimism pervading automakers.

Autos Shove Index Up . . .

Bolstered by this upsurge in auto production, STEEL's industrial production index for the week ended Mar. 20 climbed 3 points to 205 per cent of the 1936-1939 average. This is the first upward trend since the 1-point increase in the second week of February. It is the first significant increase since the rebound in the first half of January. It is still too early to predict a steady climb in the index, but with heavy auto production scheduled for spring selling, it's a safe bet that it will at least hold firm for a while.

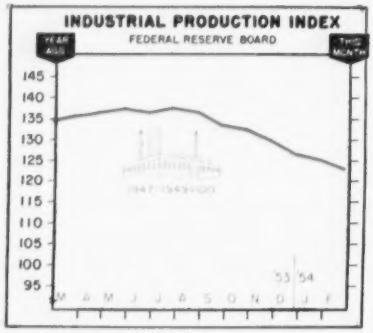
Another factor in the firming of the trend is the continued high level of electricity output as compared with a year ago. Even though the increase from year-ago levels is not as great as earlier in the year, this industry is still one of the strong segments of the American economy.

Decline No. 5 for Steel . . .

However, still lagging behind previous levels is steel production, which last week was pegged at about 67 per cent of capacity, or about 1,585,000 net tons of ingots and steel for castings, according to American Iron & Steel Institute. That was down from the previous week's rate by about 1 percentage point. A year ago, the rate was 103.1 per cent of capacity. That represents the fifth consecutive week of declining operations and just about kills all hope that March would be the turning point in the industry. However, scattered reports indicate that some producers are reaching the bottom of semifinished stocks and will soon have to begin making steel again in order to roll finished products. Indications are that orders for those products are gradually picking up, which raises the hope that the end of the inventory adjustment may be in sight.

Words from the Wise . . .

In any case, optimism is still the key word in industry. Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp. officials last week said they expect the adjustment to run its course in the March quarter. Republic Steel Corp. Chairman T. M. Girdler and President C. M. White told the company's shareholders they believe business will increase as the year goes by and as steel inventories in the hands of fabricators are reduced. Armco Steel Corp. Chairman Charles R. Hook and President



Industrial Production Index

1947-1949=100

	Total Production		Primary Metals		Metal Fabricating	
	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953
Jan.	125	134	110	135	154	168
Feb.	123	134	107	137	149	168
Mar.	...	135	...	136	...	168
Apr.	...	136	...	136	...	169
May	...	137	...	139	...	169
June	...	136	...	137	...	168
July	...	137	...	136	...	171
Aug.	...	136	...	137	...	171
Sept.	...	133	...	130	...	166
Oct.	...	132	...	128	...	165
Nov.	...	129	...	122	...	159
Dec.	...	126	...	113	...	156
Avg.	...	134	...	132	...	167

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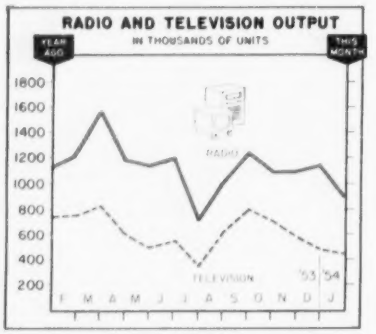
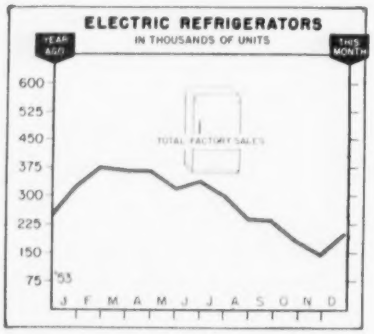


Radio and Television Output

Thousands of Units

	Radio		Television	
	1954	1953	1954	1953
Jan.	872	1,093	421	719
Feb.	...	1,192	...	731
Mar.	..	1,549	...	810
Apr.	...	1,159	...	568
May	...	1,109	...	482
June	...	1,164	...	524
July	...	674	...	316
Aug.	...	992	...	604
Sept.	...	1,217	...	770
Oct.	...	1,052	...	680
Nov.	..	1,066	...	560
Dec.	...	1,101	...	450
Total	...	13,368	...	7,214

Radio-Electronics-Television Mfrs. Assn.

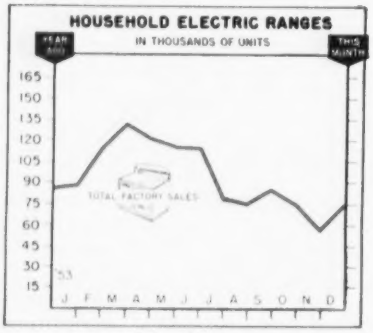


Electric Refrigerators

Total Factory Sales—Units

	1953	1952	1951
Jan.	325,186	260,259	465,903
Feb.	377,605	259,838	403,035
Mar.	368,498	276,972	558,503
Apr.	366,951	225,994	409,887
May	317,667	217,017	309,722
June	343,114	324,885	261,298
July	298,838	333,877	163,922
Aug.	232,981	250,224	165,309
Sept.	231,224	230,111	193,929
Oct.	179,749	207,065	191,519
Nov.	139,563	256,530	147,394
Dec.	197,102	248,506	195,403
Total	3,378,478	3,091,434	3,465,824

National Electrical Mfrs. Assn.



Household Electric Ranges

Total Factory Sales—Units

	1953	1952	1951
Jan.	88,145	79,982	130,316
Feb.	114,465	63,063	121,585
Mar.	130,788	93,225	159,865
Apr.	118,999	69,149	118,823
May	114,404	68,117	106,685
June	113,086	86,847	106,589
July	77,836	83,465	60,530
Aug.	74,326	74,853	64,042
Sept.	84,481	62,404	93,551
Oct.	73,422	63,143	109,043
Nov.	55,748	72,982	101,476
Dec.	73,870	84,630	72,140
Total	1,119,570	901,860	1,244,645

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W. W. Sebald told Armco's shareholders that they believe the adjustment will be mild this year and "there will be a good demand for steel in 1954." And in another part of the metalworking industry, Reynolds Metals Co. officials report demand for most aluminum products has looked better recently.

More Middle-of-Road Talk . . .

In Washington, Treasury Secretary George Humphrey told the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee that, while he is not "looking for a sudden or immediate turn in the economy," he thinks it is "remarkable" that the economy has not dipped farther than it has. The unemployment figures of over 3.6 million put forth by the most pessimistic government reports are still not very high, he thinks. Mr. Humphrey pointed to new signs of activity in the depressed farm equipment industry.

While it is hard to tell those 3.6 million unemployed persons there is no depression, it still remains that only 5.7 per cent of the total work force of about 62.6 million is not working. Reports from the Labor department indicate a slowdown in the rate of unemployment. In the week ended Mar. 13, new claims for unemployment compensation dipped to 310,600, off 8200 from the previous week.

It's Good if You're Working . . .

For those who are working, things still look pretty good. In the iron and steel industry, the average hourly wage in January was $2.294, or 1.5 cents higher than in December, reports American Iron & Steel Institute. The increased hourly pay helped offset the reduced work hours, down to 35.7 hours a week compared with 37 hours in December. Total employment in the industry in January was 644,900, down from 683,800 in December.

The Reluctant Consumer . . .

Federal Reserve Board reports that consumers are going to be more reluctant to part with that money this year than last. In its ninth annual survey of consumer

BAROMETERS OF BUSINESS

	LATEST PERIOD	PRIOR WEEK	YEAR AGO
INDUSTRY			
Steel Ingot Production (1000 net tons)[2]	1,616	1,652	2,288
Electric Power Distributed (million kwhr)	8,572	8,519	8,078
Bitum. Coal Output (daily av.—1000 tons)	1,159	1,050	1,430
Petroleum Production (daily av.—1000 bbls)	6,490[1]	6,458	6,489
Construction Volume (ENR—millions)	$215.4	$245.5	$200.2
Automobile, Truck Output (Ward's—units)	154,405	143,478	169,923
TRADE			
Freight Car Loadings (unit—1000 cars)	612[1]	610	701
Business Failures (Dun & Bradstreet, no.)	243	229	160
Currency in Circulation (millions)[3]	$29,769	$29,870	$29,708
Dept. Store Sales (changes from year ago)[3]	−8%	−11%	+11%
FINANCE			
Bank Clearings (Dun & Bradstreet, millions)	$20,223	$16,973	$19,452
Federal Gross Debt (billions)	$274.7	$274.7	$265.2
Bond Volume, NYSE (millions)	$16.5	$18.2	$15.9
Stocks Sales, NYSE (thousands of shares)	8,934	9,197	9,552
Loans and Investments (billions)[4]	$79.7	$79.5	$77.8
U. S. Gov't Obligations Held (billions)[4]	$22.3	$32.3	$31.3
PRICES			
STEEL's Finished Steel Price Index[5]	189.74	189.74	181.31
STEEL's Nonferrous Metal Price Index[6]	209.0	206.7	225.1
All Commodities[7]	110.6	110.6	110.0
Commodities Other Than Farm & Foods[7]	114.3	114.4	113.4

*Dates on request. [1]Preliminary. [2]Weekly capacities, net tons: 1954, 2,384,549; 1953, 2,254,459. [3]Federal Reserve Board. [4]Member banks, Federal Reserve System. [5]1935-1939=100. [6]1936-1939=100. [7]Bureau of Labor Statistics Index, 1947-1949=100.

finances, the board found that the public will buy fewer new cars, houses, furniture and appliances in 1954 because they are less confident about their financial prospects this year.

Again, apparently nobody has told the businessman about this, because, in a survey of 5000 companies taken during February and March, Commerce department and Securities & Exchange Commission report that those firms believe their sales "on the whole" will be about as high as 1953 levels.

To Be or Not To Be . . .

But some of those firms may not be around to verify that opinion if the present rate of business failures continues. Dun & Bradstreet Inc. reports that the 926 failures in February was the highest figure for any postwar month. That figure is still 23 per cent below the prewar level of February, 1939.

More Roofs Overhead . . .

One of the strongest segments of the economy, private housing, apparently is defying such reports. In February, which usually marks the rise in spring building, new starts on nonfarm housing jumped a more-than-usual 10 per cent. On a seasonally adjusted basis, this is at an annual rate of 1,180,000, which was topped in only four months during the past three years.

Trends Fore and Aft . . .

Last week, major New York city banks lowered the prime rate on commercial advances from 3¼ per cent to 3 per cent. It was the first cut in 19 years and may foreshadow a trend for all borrowing costs . . . Wholesale price index for the week ended Mar. 16 remained at 110.6 per cent of the 1947-1949 base, which is 0.1 percentage point above the February average . . . Now that March is over and no upturn in production has become apparent, many experts are predicting better things for April. May is next in line . . . It is interesting to note that even though consumers are supposed to be tightening up on their money, Oldsmobile, Buick and Cadillac, the premium cars at GM, jumped from 14.8 per cent of total auto production in March, 1953, to 19 per cent this month . . . One of the most optimistic sales forecasts seen to date comes from Detroit Steel Corp. Pres. M. J. Zivian. He says Detroit Steel sales in 1954 will be up 10 per cent above 1953, but net profit will be down about 10 per cent.

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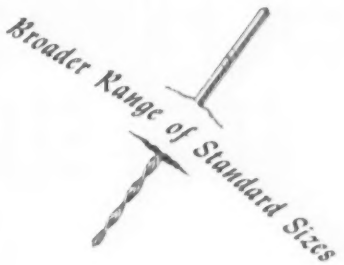

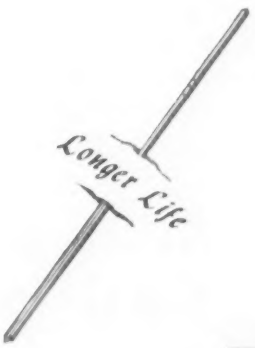

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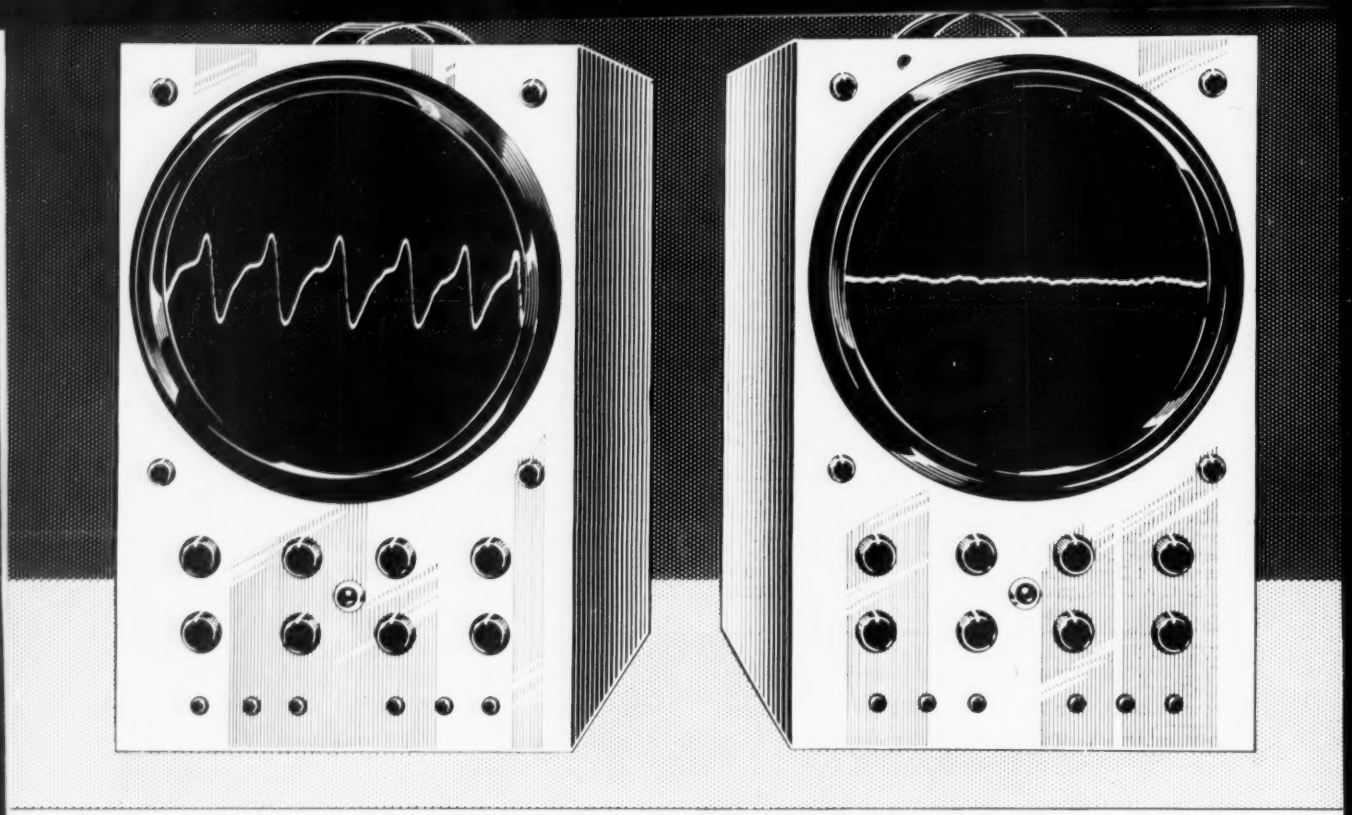

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Ajax Electrothermic Corp., Trenton, N. J., appointed **James R. Coley** secretary and sales manager to succeed the late **George F. Applegate. William T. Thomas,** formerly of General Electric Co., joins Ajax as assistant chief engineer.

Kaiser Steel Corp., Fontana, Calif., Works, named **Edward A. Parker** superintendent of plate and 86-inch hot-strip mills and **Paul J. Pismato** assistant superintendent.

Terrence H. M. Taylor, former research scientist with U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, was named chief engineer of Rockwell Mfg. Co.'s **Nordstrom Valve Division** plant at Oakland, Calif.

Caine Steel Co., Chicago, appointed **Robert M. McCluer** manager of its eastern subsidiary, **Caine Steel Co. of Pennsylvania.** He will operate a new warehouse in Philadelphia, opened to serve the Delaware Valley industrial area.

Continental Steel Corp., Kokomo, Ind., elected **Edmond P. Severns** vice president-general manager. Mr. Severns, vice president in charge of sales for the company since 1939, has been with the firm 27 years.

A. H. Hally was appointed general sales manager, **Campbell Chain Co.,** York, Pa. He had been director of sales planning, Permacel Tape Corp.

Maurice M. Clemons was appointed chief engineer of **Sahlin Engineering Co.,** Birmingham, Mich. He previously was with General Motors Corp. for 25 years, most recently serving as master mechanic of the Chevrolet-Cleveland pressed metal division.

W. A. Schueter was named a dealer in the Southwest for products of **Research & Control Instruments Division,** North American Phillips Co. Inc., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. The new organization, to be known as Southwestern Electronics Corp., will occupy a new building on May 1 at 3920 S. Peoria Ave., Tulsa, Okla. Present mailing address is P. O. Box 7275.

Aeroquip Corp., Jackson, Mich., promoted **Marvin W. Brandau** from industrial sales manager to director of market development. He is replaced in his former position by **W. F. Rogge,** formerly with Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.'s World Bestos Division.

R. Smith Schenk, former president of Sun Tube Corp., joined **White Metal Mfg. Co.,** Hoboken, N. J., as consultant.

Melvin Schwartz, formerly with Alpha Metals Inc. in regional sales management, was appointed general sales manager, **Garfield Wire Division,** Garfield, N. J., Overlakes Corp.

Sidney A. Stewart was elected a vice president of **Niles-Bement-Pond Co.,** West Hartford, Conn., and will serve as chief executive officer of the Chandler-Evans Division with the title of manager. Mr. Stewart resigned as executive vice president of Delta-C&S Air Lines to accept the new post which he will assume June 1. He continues as a director of the air lines and is retained by it in a consulting capacity.

Republic Steel Corp. appointed **William S. Tuttle** superintendent of its Troy, N. Y., coke plant to succeed **J. H. Kunkle Jr.,** named superintendent of the coke plant at Warren, O.

Albert F. Lang was made northern Ohio automotive sales representative for **Berger Mfg. Division,** Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland.

Bernard Kearney was named president of **Torsion Balance Co.,** Clifton, N. J.

Fred E. Harrell, vice president, **Reliance Electric & Engineering Co.,** Cleveland, was given additional duties of director of special projects, a newly created position in which he is concerned with new building projects and associated growth problems of the company. **Hugh D. Luke,** former manager of central production planning, be-

JOSEPH M. SCHAEFFER

DAVID C. GRIGGS

. . . executive changes at Waterbury Farrel Foundry & Machine

comes manager of manufacturing of rotating equipment. **Stephen W. Feiss** was made general superintendent of the firm's Ivanhoe Division.

Waterbury Farrel Foundry & Machine Co., Waterbury, Conn., elected **Joseph M. Schaeffer** president. He formerly was a vice president and director of the company and chief engineer of its bolt, nut and screw machinery division. **Richard L. Wilcox**, former president, was elected chairman of the board to succeed **David C. Griggs**, who continues as a director. **Richard C. Bannon**, Cleveland office sales manager, was elected vice president. Vice presidents re-elected are **Fred S. Van Valkenburg** and **Irving H. Tolles**. **A. Dale Mitchell** was elected treasurer to succeed **Lewis S. Reed**, retired.

Jack F. Anschuetz was named assistant sales manager, **Clearing Machine Corp.** Until recently he headed up the sale of gap-type and other medium tonnage presses from Clearing's Chicago sales office. He is now responsible for sales of open-back inclinable presses and other press equipment manumactured at the Hamilton, O., plant.

C. F. Kucera and **Harold H. Ackmann** were made regional representatives for transmission equipment in the southeast and central regional offices of **Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.'s** general machinery division. Mr. Kucera will be located at Atlanta, Mr. Ackmann at Cleveland.

City Pattern Foundry & Machine Co., Detroit, appointed **Richard McLean** foundry superintendent, **Frank Heffner** purchasing agent and **Joseph C. Nuttall** in charge of the shipping department.

Clarence Carruthers was elected president, **Hydraulic Starter Corp.**, New York.

Bullard Co., Bridgeport, Conn., elected **Louis J. Baudis** vice president in charge of manufacturing and appointed **C. Harold Anderson** chief engineer. Mr Baudis, who joined the company in 1935, has served in the latter position since 1947. Mr. Anderson has been assistant chief engineer since 1950.

J. E. Compton, formerly chief engineer for All Metals Industries Inc., Latrobe, Pa., who also served with Westinghouse Electric Corp. as a tool and machine designer, joined the field engineering force of **Wesson Co.**, Detroit. He has been assigned to the Pittsburgh area.

Henry A. Getz was appointed manager of the metal division of **National Lead Co.'s** Cleveland branch and will be assisted by **Russell C. Kleinecke**. **C. A. Schneider** is acting manager at Baltimore.

Raymond H. Dobberfuhl was made manager of a new **R & J Dick Co. Inc.** office and warehouse located in Los Angeles.

Waldrip Engineering Co., Hollydale, Calif., appointed **Dr. Joseph Remenyi** chief design engineer and **Freeman Gates** manager of its aggregate and mining machinery division.

Millard D. Shriver was made general sales manager for **Panellit Inc.**, Chicago. He assumes responsibility for sales and sales promotion activities of the parent organization as well as its Panascan Division and a wholly owned subsidiary, Panalarm Products Inc. Mr. Shriver was formerly sales manager of Panellit. He will move his tri-division sales staff to Sko-

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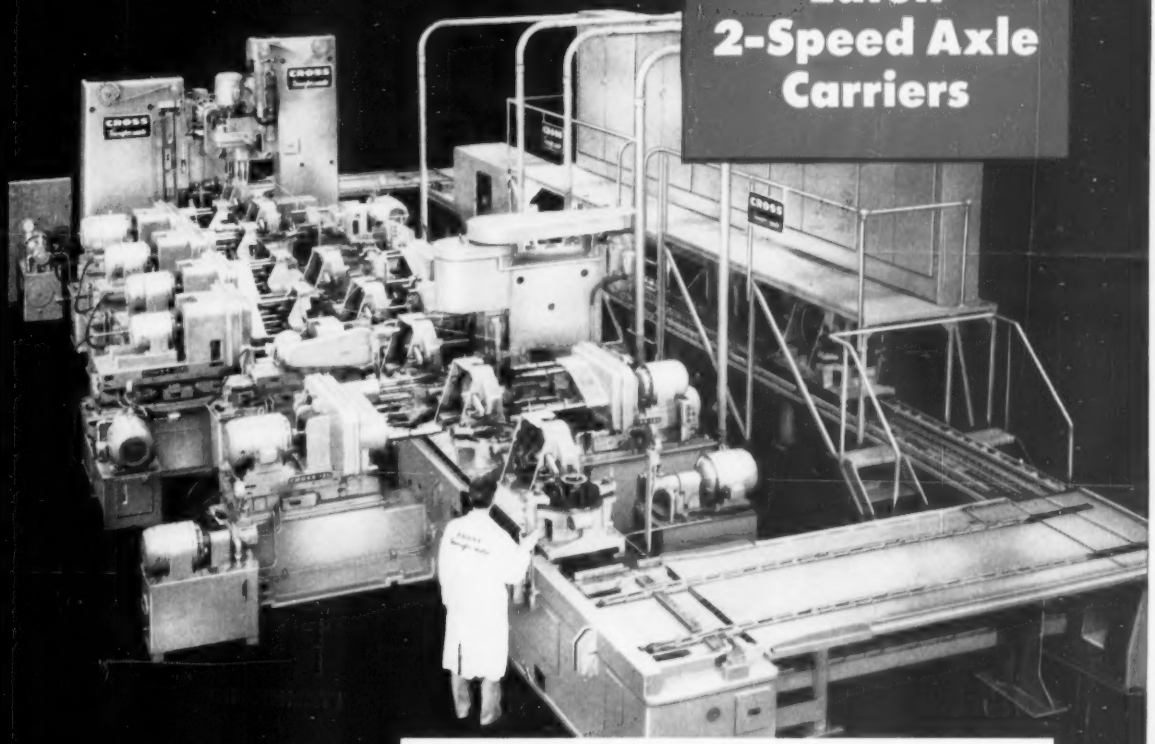

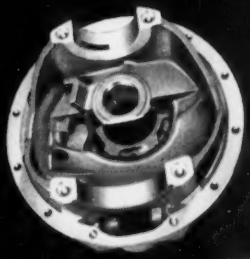

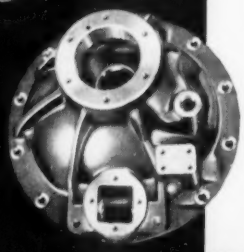

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kie, Ill., in June when the new Panellit building is completed.

T. N. Baker, formerly with General Motors Corp., was appointed general sales manager, **Consolidated Tool & Products Co.**, Los Angeles. At GM Mr. Baker was manager of the Allison-Aeroproducts office in San Diego, Calif.

Succeeding **Julian L. Schueler** as general superintendent of **Continental Steel Corp.**, Kokomo, Ind., is **Arthur L. Miller.** Named to succeed Mr. Miller as assistant general superintendent is **Donald C. Horsman.** Mr. Schueler retires from active duty Apr. 1 but remains with the company in a consulting capacity for special assignments. **Charles M. Coe** becomes steel division superintendent and **Herman D. Achors** rod mill superintendent.

R. Clyde Wolfgong was promoted from general sales manager to vice president in charge of sales at **Electro Refractories & Abrasives Corp.**, Buffalo. He assumes supervision of all domestic and foreign outlets while retaining the duties he had as general sales manager. **George B. Michie**, a vice president since 1945, was appointed to the new office of director of public relations.

H. J. Karakas was promoted from field engineer to manager of the newly created eastern seaboard sales division of **Pfaulder Co.**, located at New York.

E. R. McClung formerly assistant manager of **American Locomotive Co.'s** ordnance plant in Schenectady, N. Y., was appointed assistant plant manager at the firm's facilities at Dunkirk, N. Y.

Clarence Felix was elected vice president of Avco Mfg. Corp.'s **Crosley Division**, Cincinnati. He continues as general manager of government products for the division. Mr. Felix has been associated with Crosley for 27 years.

Dr. Alexander Blakely joins **Metal Removal Co.**, Chicago, as vice president in charge of manufacturing. Formerly production manager for Vesuvius Crucible Co., he is now in charge of production of all abrasive grinding wheels and discs.

Arthur L. Pierce retired from active service with **American Emery Wheel Works**, Providence, R. I. Connected with the firm for 46 years, he served much of that time as president and director and later as general manager, treasurer and director.

OBITUARIES . . .

Lester F. Nenninger, 59, assistant manager, machine tool division, **Cincinnati Milling Machine Co.**, Cincinnati, and vice president of its sales subsidiary, Cincinnati Milling & Grinding Machines Inc., died Mar. 16.

John W. Floto, 69, vice president, **Globe Steel Tubes Co.**, at Chicago, died Mar. 16.

Martin J. Anderson, 66, former director of engineering research at **Mathews Conveyer Co.**, Ellwood City, Pa., died Mar. 9 in Florida.

Herbert R. Replogle, 66, who retired last year as an executive of **Warren Foundry & Pipe Co.**, New York, died Mar. 11.

George W. Bach, 77, chairman of **American Sterilizer Co.**, Erie, Pa., died Mar. 13.

Ralph Ditty, 77, for more than 30 years president of **Federal Foundry Supply Co.**, Cleveland, died Mar. 17.

Herbert L. Bergman, chief erection engineer of **Surface Combustion Corp.**, Toledo, O., died Mar. 4.

Rudolph Biersach, 70, vice president of **Biersach & Niedermeyer Co.**, Milwaukee, died Mar. 11.

Herman H. Walther, 57, chief metallurgist and a director of **Dayton Steel Foundry Corp.**, Dayton, O., died Mar. 14.

Walter A. Schneggenburger, 57, president, **W. A. Schneggenburger Co.**, Buffalo, died Mar. 15.

William U. Katz, 78, president, **Katz Metal Co.**, La Crosse, Wis., died Mar. 13.

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National Lead and Republic Steel join forces to concentrate low-grade southern iron ores

NATIONAL LEAD CO. and Republic Steel Corp. announced a joint project to upgrade southern iron ore and iron materials. Its success would result not only in upgrading of ore now usable but also in the utilization of mineral resources which are now of little economic value and have not been usable by the steel industry.

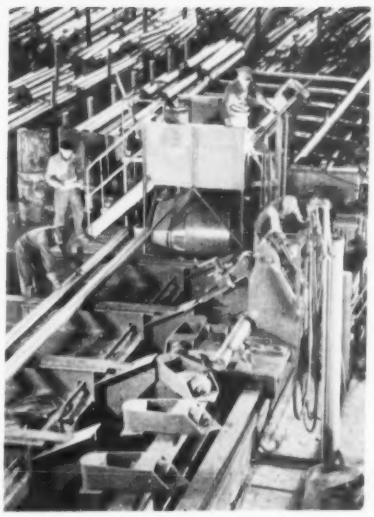
A large-scale pilot plant is now under construction at Republic's Spaulding iron ore mine near Birmingham where production-scale studies of the contemplated upgrading project will be made. The pilot plant will be completed and in operation this summer. The iron ore concentrate to be produced is expected to be upgraded sufficiently to warrant its use in modern blast furnaces.

Spokesmen for the two companies point out that though there are still deposits containing millions of tons of high-grade iron ore in the United States these deposits are rapidly being depleted. However, the nation's reserves of low-grade nonmagnetic iron ores and other materials too lean to be considered as ores today run into the billions of tons. A method of upgrading these nonmagnetic ores will extend considerably the usable reserves of the country.

In the Birmingham basin alone, reserves of ferruginous sandstone exceed 1 billion tons with iron content running about 25 per cent, according to U. S. Bureau of Mines. If this and other marginal ore can be upgraded to a commercial level the production life of iron minerals in the basin may be extended 200 years, the bureau estimates.

Reliance Electric To Build

Reliance Electric & Engineering Co., Cleveland, manufacturer of electric motors and power drives for industry, placed contracts for an addition to its Ashtabula, O., plant. It will duplicate the manufacturing capacity of the company's original Ashtabula plant, completed in 1947. The new plant will be used to produce alternating current motors, built to recently announced revisions in design standards of National Electrical Manufacturers Association. Reliance ac motors of present design will continue to be made in the existing plant in that city.



New 'Peeler' Goes to Work

Pittsburgh Steel's new "peeler" at its Allenport, Pa., seamless tube mills can machine off approximately ⅛ in. of surface from 4½ to 9½ in. diameter steel billets 24 to 34 ft in length at a rate of about 184 fpm

Steel Casting Firm Organized

Quaker Alloy Casting Co. will start producing small carbon, low-alloy stainless and high-alloy castings in its Myerstown, Pa., plant about Apr. 1, using two 650-lb induction furnaces. The company was established by Leroy G. Miller, John Juppenlatz and James J. Blauch.

West Coast Firms Merge

Malco Co., Los Angeles, manufacturer of tinware, combined manufacturing facilities with Western Aluminum Rolling Mills and will operate as Aluminum Container Corp.

Will Make Replacement Parts

Buffalo Weaving & Belting Co., Alliance, O., organized an Automobile Parts Division with George Schofield as sales manager. The division will produce automobile headlight replacement units which Mr. Schofield developed.

Reichl Organizes Company

R. M. Reichl Co. has been organized to specialize in development-engineering, process-development and consulting, with offices at 110-11 70th Rd., Forest Hills, Long Island, N. Y. The company was organized by R. M. Reichl, formerly vice president of Hydropress Inc., New York, who has been active in the field of heavy presses, extrusion, hydraulic machinery, pipe mills and rolling mills for over 20 years.

Will Boost Lithium Output

Foote Mineral Co., Philadelphia, plans further expansion of facilities for the production of lithium ores and chemicals. The program includes major additions at the company's Kings Mountain, N. C., and Sunbright, Va., plants. Facilities at the Exton, Pa., plant will be increased to a lesser extent. Cost of the proposed expansion is estimated at several million dollars.

American Can To Open Plant

American Can Co., New York, will open a plant in Denver for the manufacture of beer and food cans. The plant structure will be built by Cabot, Cabot & Forbes Inc., Boston, industrial development firm, and will be leased by American Can under a long-term arrangement. American Can will equip the factory with its own production machinery.

M.M.&M. Plans Expansion

Manning, Maxwell & Moore, Aircraft Products Division, is planning a new building, 50,000 sq ft, at Danbury, Conn., to be completed late this year.

Mesta Expresses Optimism

Mesta Machine Co., West Homestead, Pa., producer of heavy machinery, reports net income in 1953 of $3,500,416, after all charges including provision for taxes, compared with $2,709,597 in 1952. Federal and state income taxes amounting to $4,125,000 were accrued for the year

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1961. While unemployment in the company's books was down from the level a year ago, "the present volume of orders to be filled places the company in a better competitive position regarding delivery dates on prospective business as well as permitting the curtailment of expensive overtime schedules necessitated by the abnormal production demands of the past few years," says Lorenz Iversen, president. "However this carry-over plus new business normally expected indicates satisfactory operations for 1954."

Cylindermaker Changes Name

Miller Motor Co., Melrose Park, Ill., changed its name to Miller Fluid Power Co. The firm makes air and hydraulic cylinders, boosters and accumulators.

Cannon Forms Subsidiary

Cannon Electric Co., Los Angeles, established a company in London, England, under the name of Cannon Electric Co. Ltd. This affiliate, formed in association with Films & Equipments Co. Ltd., London, will manufacture, distribute and license all Cannon Electric products for Western Europe.

Reliance Steel Expands

Reliance Steel Co. opened a plant and warehouse at 2900 E. 26th St., Los Angeles. This is in addition to the firm's main plant at 2062 E. 27th St., that city. With addition of such new equipment as a 30-in. roll form corrugating machine, two 12-ft sheet shears, a 48-in. slitter and a 48-in. roller leveler, Reliance is equipped to offer service on all steel, aluminum and magnesium sheet and strip orders.

Salem-Brosius Buys Firm

Salem-Brosius Inc., Pittsburgh, purchased George J. Hagan Co., that city. Both companies design, manufacture and sell furnaces and heat-treating equipment, but have sold their products to different industries. Ward A. Wickwire Jr. is now president of both companies.

Westinghouse Plans Plant

Installation to have equipment for basic metalworking and the newer foundry techniques

WESTINGHOUSE Electric Corp. will begin construction in May of a multimillion dollar metals plant at Blairsville, Pa. The main building exterior should be finished by the end of this year, and the plant is expected to be in operation by mid-1955.

"The main purpose of this new metals plant," said Warren M. Trigg, plant manager, "will be to bridge the gap between research and the commercial application of metals in the electrical industry." Mr. Trigg indicated that the Blairsville metals plant will work closely with the new Westinghouse Research Center now under construction in Churchill Borough.

The plant will provide equipment for the basic metalworking processes of melting, forging, hot-rolling, cold-rolling, conditioning, pickling and heat treating. In addition, facilities will be installed for the newer foundry techniques of investment casting and shell-mold casting, and equipment will be provided for limited manufacture of powder metal parts. It is expected that the plant also will have some capacity for the manufacture of special metals for various Westinghouse operating divisions.

$10,000 Worth of Valve

Titanium and silver diaphragm control valve costing $10,000 was one of two built by Minneapolis-Honeywell to handle high pressure service of corrosive fluid. Silver lining adds one year to body life. Solid titanium valve trim will last only 70 days

Mars Broadens Product Line

Mars Engineering Inc., Newark, N. J., added a new division which will design industrial dust collection and fume elimination systems. Previously, the company specialized in the design and manufacture of machinery.

Dempsey To Build Furnaces

Dempsey Industrial Furnace Corp., Springfield, Mass., was awarded a contract for eight oil-fired aluminum heat-treating furnaces for the government-owned plant operated by Kaiser Aluminum Co. in Halethorpe, Md. Cost will approximate $350,000.

REPRESENTATIVES

American District Steam Co., North Tonawanda, N. Y., is opening a western division sales office in San Francisco. R. Z. Silcock will be in charge.

Beckman & Whitley Inc., San Carlos, Calif., appointed Gay Sales Co., Houston, as its representative in that territory, handling the company's line of meteorological instruments and heat-flow transducers.

Beryllium Corp., Reading, Pa., appointed Meier Brass & Copper Co., Detroit, as distributor of its beryllium-copper strip and rod in that territory.

Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., Cambridge, Mass., opened a large warehouse in Chicago at 2651 Gardner Rd., Broadview. The firm's products include conveyor, elevator and flat transmission belts; V-belts; industrial, garden and fire hose; tubing; packing; tape; stair treads and matting.

R. & J. Dick Co., Passaic, N. J., opened an office and warehouse at 5276 Atlantic Blvd., Maywood (Los Angeles), Calif. An inven-

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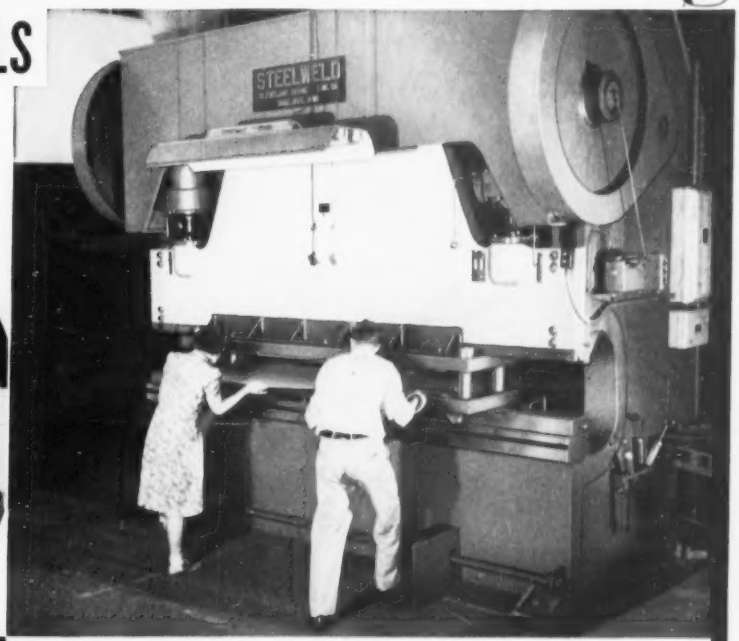
blanking and embossing

ACOUSTIMETAL PANELS

4800 panels for 12" x 24" sound-deadening cells are blanked out and embossed per 8-hour day with these dies.



This rugged smooth-working press performs nearly every kind of metal forming operation at Dussing & Hunt, Inc.—bending, forming, flanging, blanking, embossing, and punching. It is easy to change the dies from one job to another or repeat previous runs of work to close tolerances.

Of the many types of work performed on the Model J4½-10 Steelweld Press at Dussing & Hunt, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y., the blanking and embossing of panels for Acoustimetal sound-deadening cells is one of the most interesting.

Large sheets of 26 gauge perforated metal are fed into the dies attached to the bed and ram, by the man operator and his woman assistant. At each stroke of the ram three panels are blanked out and embossed. Six panels for 12" x 24" cells are made from each sheet. 100 sheets are passed through the press per hour. Thus, 600 panels are turned out per hour, or 4800 per eight-hour day.

A large variety of metal parts are produced on the Steelweld. Included are 22-gauge stainless steel tops for deep-freeze cabinets with neatly rounded flanges, fire-proof doors and all-steel industrial doors of 10 to 14 gauge, 14-gauge pressed steel frames, heavy steel channels and many other parts.

The press was installed in 1942 and has been kept going continuously. The Plant Manager of this rapid-growing concern says, "It has proved very satisfactory and efficient."

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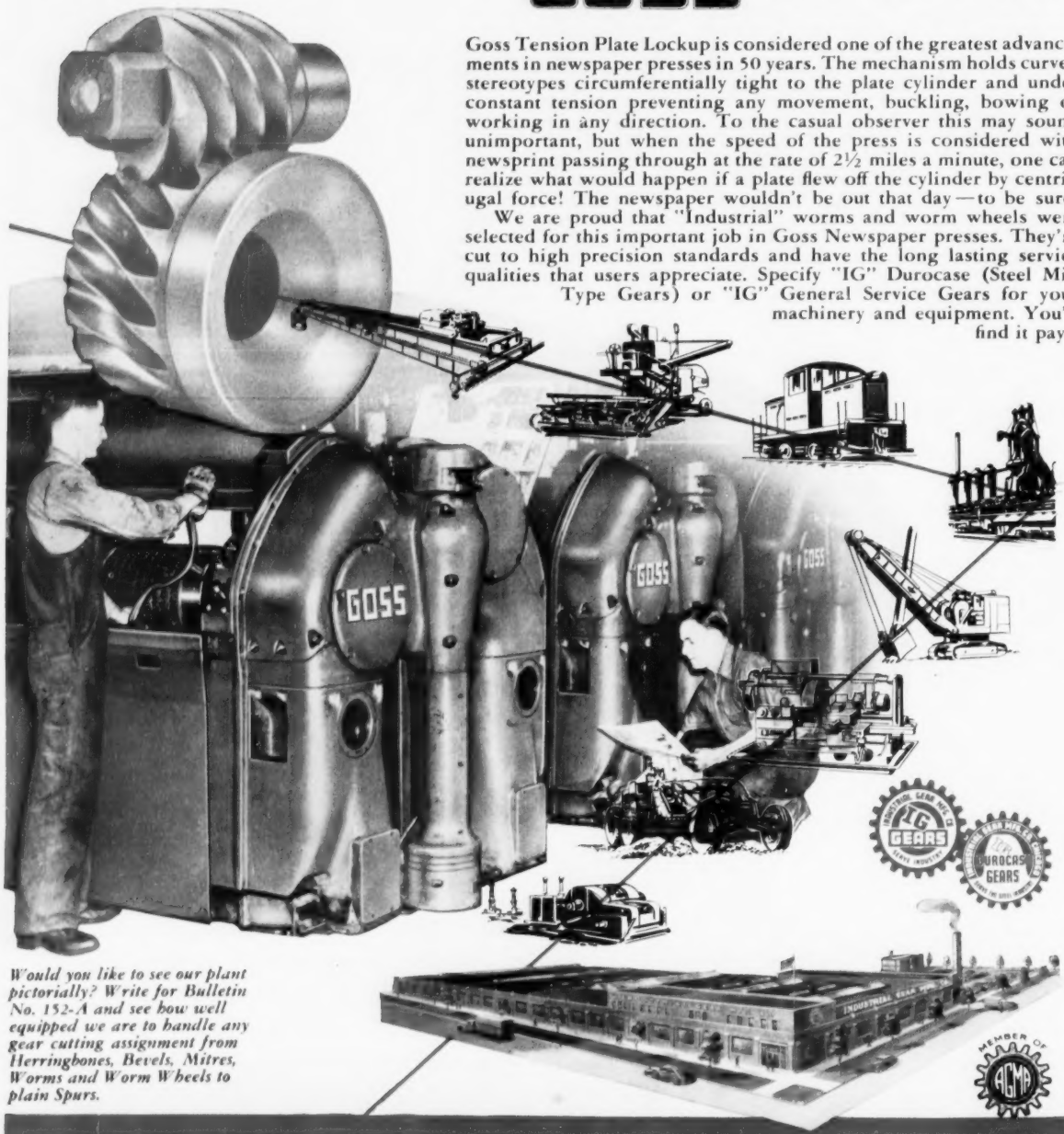

Goss Tension Plate Lockup is considered one of the greatest advancements in newspaper presses in 50 years. The mechanism holds curved stereotypes circumferentially tight to the plate cylinder and under constant tension preventing any movement, buckling, bowing or working in any direction. To the casual observer this may sound unimportant, but when the speed of the press is considered with newsprint passing through at the rate of 2½ miles a minute, one can realize what would happen if a plate flew off the cylinder by centrifugal force! The newspaper wouldn't be out that day—to be sure!

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tory of power transmission and conveying equipment will be maintained. The company also has West Coast offices in San Francisco and Seattle.

Fansteel Metallurgical Corp., Chicago, opened a regional sales office in Houston. Lawrence C. Rodgers heads the office which serves Texas and Louisiana.

Firth Sterling Inc., Pittsburgh, appointed as distributors of its steel and carbide products Denman & Davis, North Bergen, N. J.; O'Neal Steel Co., Birmingham; Mau-Sherwood Supply Co., Cleveland; and Standard-Shannon Supply Co., Philadelphia.

Gar Wood Industries Inc.'s St. Paul Hydraulic Hoist Division, Minneapolis, appointed Corts Commercial Body Works, Whitesboro, N. Y., and Timpte Bros. Inc., Denver, as distributors of its hoists and bodies, elevating end gates and other products.

Graybar Electric Co. Inc., New York, opened a branch office and warehouse at 524 E. St. Louis St., Springfield, Mo. R. L. Shuck is branch manager, and W. Frazier midwestern district manager.

Reading Tube Corp., New York, is opening a distribution depot in Cleveland to improve delivery service of tubing and pipe to customers in Ohio and parts of Michigan. Manufacturing facilites of Reading Tube are located in Reading, Pa.

NEW ADDRESSES

Armco Steel Corp., Middletown, O., moved its Indianapolis sales office to 1839 N. Meridian St. Armco Drainage & Metal Products Inc., a subsidiary, has offices in the same location.

The Atlanta office of **Dravo Corp.**, Pittsburgh, has been moved to Room 361, 1401 Peachtree St. N.E. The Atlanta office handles Dravo's line of warm air space heaters, crane cab and steel mill

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This Ransburg unit in the Troy Sunshade Company plant, Troy, Ohio, provides flexibility required to apply finish coat to either large or small parts of indoor-outdoor furniture.

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● Increased production demands in the Troy Metal Furniture line made it necessary for Troy Sunshade Company to completely overhaul . . . modernize . . . and centralize their painting operations. And, after careful study and investigation of modern coating methods, Ransburg No. 1 Process was selected for applying the finish coat to their popular line of indoor-outdoor furniture.

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Monarch

Replaces a planer equipped with grinder head attachment

This Giant Thompson Grinder is one of nine working for The Monarch Machine Tool Company.

Through the years in increasing efficiency of their very fine lathes and in step with modern methods, Monarch has relied on the utility and precision of Thompson Grinders. Thompson is proud of this record of service and especially its ability to provide extreme precision grinding on this largest of all surface grinders.

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The precision of Thompson Way Grinders is exemplified in this giant new machine recently installed in the plant of the Monarch Machine Tool Company of Sidney, Ohio. Monarch lathes are known the world over for their extreme efficiency and accuracy, therefore, in the machining of the bedways of their longest machines they had to depend on grinding equipment that maintained exceptional accuracy over entire surfaces up to 32 feet in length. This accuracy is perfectly maintained on this Thompson Way Grinder to five ten-thousands of an inch.

Thus, this surface grinder is not only the World's largest but size for size, one of the World's most accurate machines. The overall length is 79 feet and it measures 13 feet high and 13½ feet wide. Yet in spite of its size all operations are easily controlled by a single operator automatically from the convenient suspended push button control panel. This is typical of Thompson centralized control available with all types and sizes of Thompson Grinders. It will pay you to consult Thompson Engineers in finding an economical solution to *your* problems.

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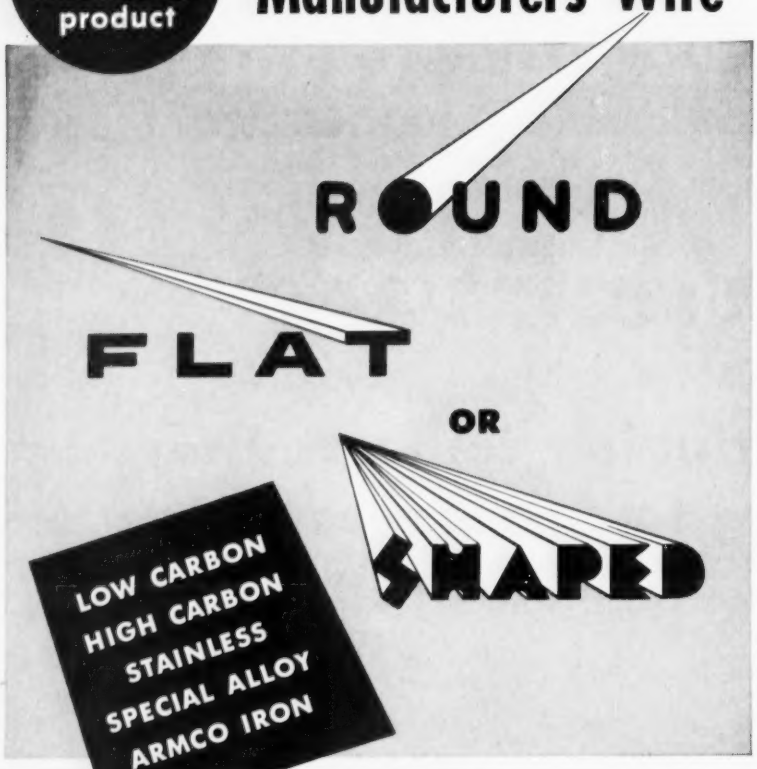

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pulpit air conditioners, prefabricated piping and construction services.

Briggs Mfg. Co., manufacturer of bathroom fixtures, moved its general offices to 300 Buhl Bldg., Detroit 26. Manufacturing facilities remain at 3001 Miller Ave., that city.

C. S. Bell Co. moved from Hillsboro, O., to Dayton, O. The firm makes burr and hammer type grinding mills, coffee pulpers, corn shellers and feed mixers.

ASSOCIATIONS

John W. James, vice president in charge of research for McDonnell & Miller Inc., Chicago, was elected second vice president of American Society of Heating & Ventilating Engineers, New York.

R. C. Holbrook, president, Liquid Carbonic Canadian Corp. and a director of Liquid Carbonic Corp., Chicago, was elected president of Compressed Gas Association, New York.

Industrial Unit Heater Association, Detroit, elected the following officers: President, **I. W. Clark,** manager of the heating and ventilating department, American Air Filter Co. Inc., Louisville; vice president, **W. G. Schlichting,** sales manager, Heating, Cooling & Air Conditioning Division, Young Radiator Co., Racine, Wis. **G. W. McCormick Jr.** is secretary-treasurer.

Harold A. Daschner, East Lansing, Mich., has been appointed assistant manager of Pressed Metal Institute, Cleveland, a national association for the metal stamping industry.

Cutting Tool Manufacturers Association, Detroit, elected as its president **Robert H. Wolfe,** president of Arrow Tool & Reamer Co., that city. **K. R. Beardslee,** general manager, Carboloy Department, General Electric Co., was elected vice president of the association

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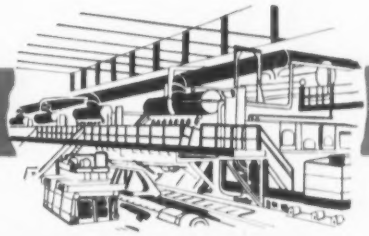

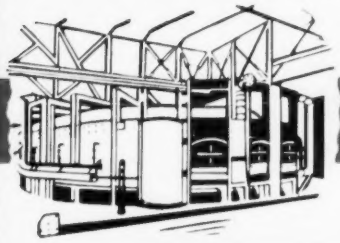

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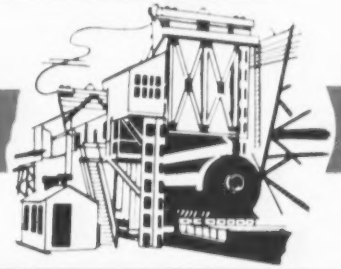

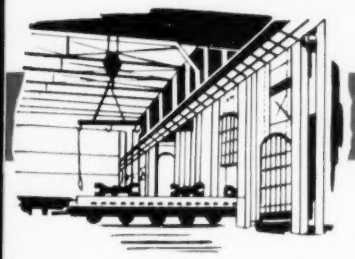

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Heating & Cooling Coil Manufacturers' Association, Detroit, elected **P. G. Kayser** of the heat transfer section, McQuay Inc., Minneapolis, president; **W. C. Jones**, section engineer of the extended surface section, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh, vice president; and **G. W. McCormick Jr.**, secretary-treasurer.

Seeks New Alloys

DEVELOPMENT of new magnesium base alloys, containing additions of titanium, hafnium, rhenium, yttrium and other high-melting point elements is the objective of a new research program. It is being conducted by Prof. Ralph R. Nash of the metallurgical engineering faculty at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., and is sponsored by Wright Air Development Center, Materials Laboratory, Wright - Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, O. This study is expected to be completed by February, 1955.

The program is in anticipation of the day when materials must meet higher requirements in strength at elevated temperatures developed in high-speed aircraft. Results of this research will contribute to the continued development of new high-strength magnesium alloys for use as structural materials in future aircraft.

ANNIVERSARIES

Open Steel Flooring Institute Inc., Pittsburgh, celebrated its 25th anniversary as the organization representing the grating industry. The institute's activities have included the adopting of standard specifications, technical standards and engineering procedures to assure quality products and installation.

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Danly's *rigid, balanced, precise construction* decreases vibration and deflection, increases die life. In General Electric's plant at Erie, Pa., Danly Autofeed Presses are helping to make investment in lamination dies pay off. The slide to bed parallelism of these Presses was set to a total variation of only .002" at installation. After 2 years of operation, this original setting has not varied!

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Records show that this 600 ton Danly Autofeed Press has required remarkably little maintenance since installation. Far greater frame rigidity protects punch die and press, permits tight quality control, assures longer production runs at higher operating speeds.

Automatic Oil Lubrication

Gibs are automatically lubricated with oil permitting closer, more precise slide alignment. Slide to bed parallelism of .002" has been maintained for over 2 years with resulting advantage of longer die life. Oil lubrication is also automatically supplied to all drive elements.

Automatic Piece Part Handling

General Electric engineers designed and built the automatic extracting mechanism shown. This device extracts both center hole slug and finished 43" lamination from the 600 ton Danly Autofeed Press shown at left and deposits them in two easily handled stacks.

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Repair costs? Records show less than $3 per battery per year

Users of EDISON batteries to power their industrial trucks enjoy big economies in the cost of repairs. Here are some figures that indicate how small this cost usually is. These records show the amounts billed to various customers for cell repairs, paint, electrolyte, tools and replacement parts over periods ranging from five to ten years.

For one customer, operating 103 batteries, these amounts averaged $2.89 per battery per year over a period of five years. For another customer, operating 44 batteries, the average was $1.25 per battery per year over a period of ten years. Still another customer, operating 29 batteries, had an average of $1.70 per battery per year over a six-year period.

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Technical Outlook

BAUXITE SUBSTITUTE— Aluminous material, found in an extensive deposit of weathered igneous rock in the Pulaski area of Virginia, promises to open up a new feed source for aluminum reduction pots. Material is 14 to 28 per cent gibbsite ($Al_2O_3 \cdot 3H_2O$), clinging to a finely divided silica matrix. Fred M. Sievert Associates, Cleveland, backers of the development, have a mechanical separation process that yields a gibbsite concentrate containing less than 6 per cent silica.

FIRE PROTECTION— A new fire-retardant paint immediately swells and chars on contact with flame or excessive heat—to form a firm, insulating blanket of non-combustible ash over the affected surface. Called Duo-Tex, it is a product of Glidden Co. An interior finish, it comes in 12 pastel colors and is recommended for coating of acoustical tile and low-cost wallboard.

REVISED SPECS— Twelve boiler and pressure vessel plate specifications have been revised by American Society of Testing Materials' Committee A-1 on Steel. The revised specs are those establishing ladle and check analysis ranges for silicon, chromium, nickel, molybdenum, vanadium and manganese when specified as a range.

EXPANSION IN BORIDES— Since 1946, Office of Naval Research has allotted considerable money for boride research, not only because the borides retain a great part of their strength at temperatures over 2500°F, but also because they are composed of nonstrategic materials. Civilian uses appear to be in crucibles for melting metals, protector tubes for thermocouples, metal spray atomizing nozzles and electrical contacts. The recent decision by three firms—Carborundum Co., American Electro Metal Corp. and Firth Sterling Inc.—to join forces to expand activities of Borolite Corp. reflects these advantages. Borolite was formed to pursue research and development of various metal borides; its program will also cover carbides and aluminides for high-temperature applications.

THERMOCOUPLE PROTECTION— Iron-thermocouple protection tubes, used in aluminum and aluminum alloy baths are destroyed quickly by chemical attack of molten aluminum on the iron. Now an effective coating has been devised for protecting iron and steel so exposed. The coating, a co-operative venture of Barrows Porcelain Enamel Co. and Battelle Memorial Institute, is an improved glass-based enamel. It promises to be useful for similar applications in the zinc, lead, magnesium and chemical industries.

GRINDING TIP— Reserve grinding wheels and equipment for magnesium only. Grinding other metals on wheels used for magnesium brings up the sparking hazard. Operators also must wear leather or smooth, fire-retardant clothing and brush it frequently. Coarse textured or fuzzy clothing should be avoided.

PLASTIC PROSPECTS— How much of an inroad has plastics made into the tool and die field? Estimates range from 15 to 24 per cent, the Pressed Metal Institute was told at its fifth annual technical meeting in Cleveland. Auto and plane makers are the big users. Many, for example, make plastic and metal dies for the same job. The easily-modified plastic is used to work out design details and is put into production until the metal die is finished. Plastic draws like steel. If there is a tendency for breakdown at sharp radii, metal inserts are used for reinforcement. Since the metal floats in the plastic, there is no dissimilar metal problem. Runs of 60,000 are reported.

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No. 1 in ***STEEL's*** Modern Heat Treating Series

During the coming months, STEEL will present a series of articles to show you how modern heat treatment can help you save on materials and processing costs. Articles will feature latest technology of each process.

Let Modern Heat Treatment . . .

WITH THE heat on, costs turn down. Today's heat treating methods are doing just that for more and more manufacturers.

Most companies find labor and material costs are fixed or on the increase. At the same time, their customers are weighing their buying more closely. So the drive is on to reduce costs all along the line with no sacrifice in quality.

When heat treating is considered as one of the ways to trim costs, many are surprised at what they see. Technology has come up faster than they realized. New facts are known about exact conditions needed to produce a given property. Precise conditions can be maintained by factory men. Cheaper materials are in the offing. New equipment is highly mechanized. Properties once thought impossible are being achieved on both alloy and carbon steel.

Sales curve of the heat treating industry offers more proof of the growing importance management places on new heat treating furnaces and new ways of using them. Installations in 1953 were almost two and a half times above 1940's, figures of Industrial Furnace Manufacturers' Association show.

Selective Hardening — Concentrate heat, control temperature, confine hardness — these pointers have guided engineers in the development of induction and flame hardening equipment to condition the surface of steel to the hardness wanted and to put it exactly where it is needed.

Selective heat treating may make it possible to use leaner alloys and carbon steels. Sometimes, the manufacturer actually ends up with a better part by going to a lower hardenability steel. Example: Automobile crankshafts where it is important to get hardness on bearing surfaces for wear resistance and hardness in the fillets for fatigue resistance.

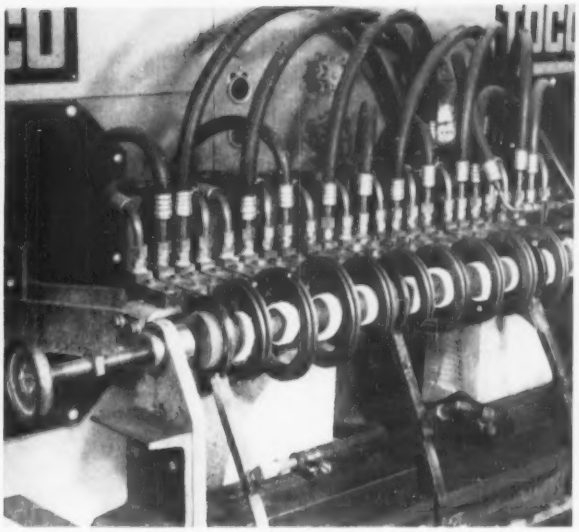
Or take gears. Here, the equivalent of a carburizing job is being done semiautomatically under close temperature control, using medium carbon steel. Result is high hardness on tooth profiles, necessary for wear resistance to obviate surface fatigue, while keeping high core strength for impact and fatigue resistance.

High Accuracy — Need for extreme accuracy is often a plus requirement. On a torque converter over-riding clutch cam, the heat patterns on the multiple internal cam faces must be held within close limits for depth and length. Piece itself must also retain its original geometry within 0.002-inch. Required production of 550 pieces an hour is obtained with one, three-spindle Cincinnati Milling Flamatic machine.

Take the case of a worm shaft (27½ inches long) formerly hardened by carburizing. Hardness is required only on the surface. Selective flame hardening took over the job. Several extra operations, including straightening, were eliminated. Part was made of plain carbon steel instead of an alloy grade.

Induction Steps In—Before induction heating, track pins were

Above is shown an automatic flame hardening unit used for hardening air cylinder piston rods six at a time



This Tocco induction heating machine is hardening a camshaft. Design used depends on production needed

TURN ON THE HEAT TO . . . TURN DOWN YOUR COSTS

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of alloy and carburized with the usual grinding and machining operations. Cheaper SAE 1050 steel of turned and polished mill stock is now used. Wearing surface of track links is also hardened by induction.

Trunnion cups are now hardened on the same automatic tool that does the machining. A patented Tocco inductor coil matched to one spindle of a multiple spindle, automatic screw machine heat treats the inside diameter of automotive trunnion cups after they have been completely formed on the same machine tool.

This method allows use of SAE 1144 steel and takes place of copper plating and carburizing. Product is improved from distortion standpoint and a grinding operation is eliminated. Heating and quenching cycles are about 10 seconds per part; production per machine is over 300 parts per hour.

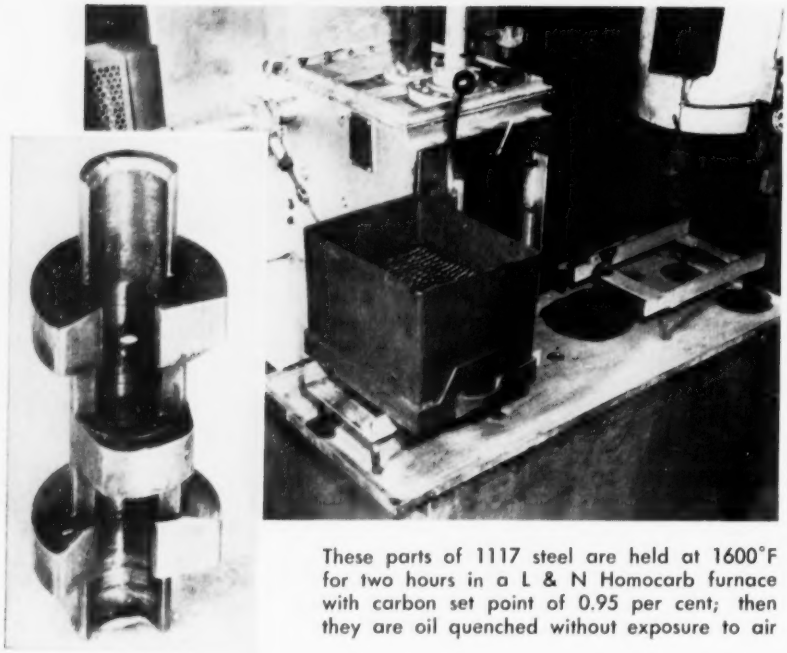
RF Too—Radio frequency type induction heaters are used for brazing, soldering, hardening and annealing. As the range of operating frequency increases, power output ratings tend to decrease; applications, in general, become increasingly specific.

Frequency of induced currents affects heating characteristics. Here are some figures from Allis-Chalmers: At a frequency of approximately 500 cycles current will penetrate steel about ⅛ inch. At 500 kilocycles current penetration is about 0.0037 inch.

In one plant, soft soldering and brazing of thin (0.010-inch) phosphorus bronze discs are handled with a 25-kw induction heater. The thin discs are not burned or distorted and production rates are 300 per cent over the previous method.

Take Stock—If your atmosphere heat-treating equipment is 10 years old, it is obsolete. If it's 5 years old, it's time to see if a

Below is an installation of Lindberg controlled atmosphere belt conveyor furnaces which are used for bright hardening and austempering and martempering operations



These parts of 1117 steel are held at 1600°F for two hours in a L & N Homocarb furnace with carbon set point of 0.95 per cent; then they are oil quenched without exposure to air

Surface Combustion Corp.

Small parts shown above are formed of low carbon steel, then homogeneously carburized to various carbon levels to develop the required properties

modern process will save you money. Advice comes from Lindberg Engineering Co.

Look at carbonitriding, for instance. It adds carbon and nitrogen to steel. Compared with straight carburizing, the nitrogen lowers the critical point and increases hardenability. Result: Inexpensive low carbon C1010, C1020 or frequently screw stock, such as C1113, can be successfully hardened by an oil quench, even in fairly large sections.

Contrast — If straight carburizing were used, a drastic quench, such as water or brine, would be required for these unalloyed steels. Such quenches often give too much distortion, requiring alloy steels for oil quenching.

Carbonitriding even allows atmosphere quench and still gives hardness. Compared with oil quenching more than twice the furnace time is required. But where critical shapes must be case hardened without distortion, handling and straightening steps are saved.

Case in Point — Recently, an automotive company set up a process to carburize parts, then fixture quench in Gleason presses by oil. It was found that plain carbon steel would not consistently quench out in oil.

Cost of using an alloy steel or converting the Gleasons to water would have been considerable. Holcraft & Co. suggested adding ammonia to the furnace atmosphere. The small amount of nitrogen added was sufficient to increase the hardenability of the steel to where it would harden out in oil.

Modern atmosphere heat treating equipment turns out bright, scale-free work. This eliminates grinding and makes for easier inspection. For parts that are to be plated, pickling time is minimized. There is less possibility of hydrogen embrittlement.

Pay-Off—Investigation of heat treating paid off for the Keller Tool Co., Grand Haven, Mich., manufacturers of portable pneumatic tools. A pneumatic cylinder was formerly manufactured from air-hardened tool steel. Pickling to remove internal scale and a finish grinding to correct distortion were required.

Now a lower cost C-1117 cylinder is carbonitrided at saving of 25 cents a pound on raw materials. Annual savings were 50 per cent of the cost of the Ipsen furnace used.

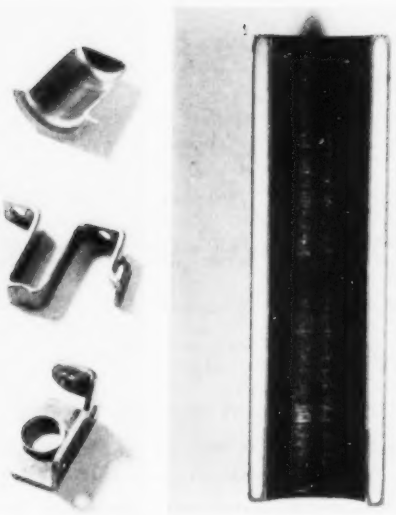
Better Control—Gas carburizing has replaced pack carburizing for all piston pins at Chrysler Corp. Only change in materials was from AISI 1117, coarse grained stock to fine grained stock.

Besides eliminating two cyaniding and quenching operations, the gas carburizing method has another advantage: Analysis of carburizing atmosphere can be checked periodically and any necessary adjustment made.

All The Way—Effective changes in material and processing specifications are being made with homogeneous carburizing. Process raises carbon content of a low carbon steel part to a medium or high carbon level throughout its entire section. A 1010 steel is modified to a 0.50 or 0.80 per cent carbon steel.

Economies result from ease of forming low carbon steel then imparting mechanical properties of high carbon steel. Surface Combustion Corp. says these savings are exploited by manufacturers of products ranging from cartridge cases to fasteners. Gages go up to $\frac{1}{8}$ inch.

Less Rejects—One plant homogeneously carburizes low carbon steel stampings rather than working 0.70 per cent carbon annealed sheet. Complicated stampings with sharp bends are formed without cracking. Savings come from eliminating rejects, and inspection, in addition to the cheaper steel. Stampings are quenched directly from furnace and are ready for tempering to spring properties.



Gas carburizing has replaced pack carburizing for piston pins on Chrysler Corp. cars and trucks. Shown is cross section of treated pin

Carbon steel is heated to 1550°F in Ajax salt bath, followed by brine quench and draw at 450°F. Gives hardness within one point of Rc 52

Another intricate, cold formed part was being fabricated from SAE 1050 steel. Today, it is press-formed of SAE 1010; and after homogeneous carburizing in a Leed's and Northrup furnace it has the same physical properties as the part made of SAE 1050.

Puts it Back — Carbon restoration permits use of such economical practices as thread rolling in the production of a quality bolt. If carbon restoration were not employed, it would mean the use of centerless ground stock or the removal of the decarburized skin of the stock prior to rolling the threads. Process is applicable to a wide variety of threaded parts.

From the mill standpoint, carbon restoration annealing permits upgrading of cold finished steel to a quality equal to centerless ground stock.

Hand in Hand — Atmospheres and quenches work together to solve problems in high production applications. Heat transfer of a clean surface is particularly important in the quench, where convection predominates in heat removal.

Dow Furnace Co. says a complete sealed cycle from heating to quench protects the hot oil itself and makes the interrupted quench no more difficult from operational standpoint than the more conventional quench at moderate temperatures.

Salts — Much activity centers around salt baths for interrupted quenching, where work is rapidly cooled to a selected temperature.

Three main operations are used: 1. Austempering, to give medium hardness, combined with ductility, toughness and good control of distortion. 2. Martempering, to give high hardness (equal to oil quenching) with reduced distortion and minimum internal stresses. 3. Cyclic annealing for soft, easily-controlled structure, with a short time cycle.

Light Sections—Austempering is used on relatively light sections, ¼ inch or less, where hardness requirements fall between 35 to 50 Rc, and where toughness or ability to bend without breaking after hardening is a requirement.

A manufacturer of lawn mowers uses austempered blades of SAE 1065 steel in place of more expensive material. Blades are austenitized at 1550° F for six minutes in one bath, quenched in a second salt bath at 475° F for six minutes, air cooled and washed.

Required hardness of Rc 48 to 52 is obtained. Blades are tough enough to mow nails and ductile enough to be bent into a horseshoe without cracking. One man can operate the mechanized Ajax line to produce 550 blades per hour.

More Alloy—In martempering, alloy steel or carburizing steel is the general rule. Compared with austempering, heavier sections can be treated. Many types of tools, gages and accurately finished parts with high stress or high hardness requirements are martempered.

Elimination of distortion is probably the greatest advantage of the process. Final grinding of heat treated parts is expensive and even a moderate reduction of the finish grind can off-set the cost of heat treatment.

More Savings — Distortion of SAE 4130 landing gear parts, when heated in oven furnace and oil quenched, was equivalent to ¼ inch.

A. F. Holden Co. has reported that by marquenching, total distortion on large sections was reduced to a maximum of 0.040-inch across the face of a thin and heavy section. This reduced the weight of the piece being heat treated and also the amount of subsequent machining.

Molten salt baths for carburizing are being refined. Activated carburizing baths of the original type have been largely replaced by compositions that are completely soluble in water after oil quenching.

Machining Stainless

DIAGNOSIS OF 274 TOOL HEADACHES

PART 2

Production of "useless part" gives researchers practical insight into workability of stainless steel

Machining of standard test part in automatic screw machines enables researchers to combine operations and approximate experience of average user

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This is the second of two articles on the subject by Mr. Armour. First, which appeared in the March 22 issue of STEEL, was a guide for machining stainless steels.

A PART that will never sell is paying off in a big way at Republic Steel Corp.'s laboratories. Its production (figures run into the hundreds of thousands) has made possible the development of complete machining data on about 200 currently-used types of steel—including stainless.

By machining this "useless part" on standard, automatic screw machines, researchers have been able to arrive at practical measures of machinability; and in the process, they are given the opportunity of diagnosing and solving many of the day-to-day problems of machine tool men (see listing of machine tool troubles).

If, for example, a forming tool can't hold dimensions, Republic researchers have found that there are seven places to look for trouble: Loose spindles, too much dwell, dull tools, soft material, loose tool holders, too much feed, or dimensions may be too close to hold on a production machine.

Standard Test—Chief purpose of using the automatic screw machine is to approximate the experience of the average machine tool user. The standardized test part gives full information on ten types of machining operations—rough form, finish form, shaving tool, cutoff, spot drill, large drill, small accelerated drill, counterbore and reamer, facing tool and tap.

Usually this procedure is followed: Stock is run for a few pieces at a speed and feed determined from previous experience with similar steel. Cutting action of different tools is observed; and the finish and temperature of the completed parts are noted.

With this start, feeds and speeds are changed until the best combination is reached. Balance of the test is carried out with this type of setup.

At intervals, piece being made is carefully examined to note how the finish from the different tools is holding up — occasionally, the machine is stopped and all tools are carefully examined for wear.

Test is continued until at least one regrind on the hardest work-

TROUBLES . . . encountered with tools most commonly used in cutting stainless steel

TURNING TOOL TROUBLES

Tools Heat and Burn

1. Turning tools may not be heavy enough.
2. They may be ground to resist cutting by not having the proper clearance and rake angle.
3. Tools may not have sufficient coolant at the right place or it may not be the proper coolant.

Build Up on Cutting Edge

1. Top rake angle may not be sufficient.
2. Not enough feed to keep build up from forming.
3. Tools not ground smoothly enough as a roughly ground surface will resist chip slide and the built up edge will have a chance to form.
4. The material that is being cut may be extremely soft.
5. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
6. Not enough speed.

Cannot Hold Close Dimensions

1. Feed too heavy.
2. Too much dwell.
3. Loose spindles or end play.
4. Loose tool holders or carriers.
5. Tools not ground properly.
6. Tools not sharp.
7. Dimensions too close to hold by production turning.
8. Parts get too hot while turning.
9. Improper coolant or not sufficient coolant at right places.

Cutting Edges Break Down

1. Tools may be ground too rough by using too coarse a grinding wheel.
2. Tools may be ground too thin, without proper cutting edge support.
3. Too much feed.
4. Tools too soft—Decarburized surface.

Poor Surface Finish

1. The material that is being cut may be too soft.
2. Surface feed may be too slow.
3. Not enough or too heavy feed.
4. Loose spindles.
5. Too much end play in spindles.
6. Loose tool holders or tool slides.
7. Improperly ground tools.
8. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
9. Grain structure of material being cut.
10. Inclusions in steel.
11. Dull tools.
12. Tools ground rough.

Tool Drags

1. Tool holders warped or pounded out of shape.
2. Tools not ground with proper rake and clearances.
3. Tools cutting above center.

Work Hardened Surface

1. Tools cutting above center.
2. Dull tools.
3. Low feed.
4. Insufficient rake and clearances.
5. Loose holders.
6. Lands too wide.

Tools Dig

1. Tools cutting below center.
2. Not sufficient rake or clearance angles.
3. Hard and soft spots within the material being cut.
4. Loose spindles or end play.
5. Loose tool holders.

FORM TOOL TROUBLES

Tools Gall and Bind and Wear on Sides

1. Circular form tools which do not have any side clearances are the worst offenders, especially in deep forming.
2. Loose spindles or end play.
3. Worn out holders which do not hold tools squarely.
4. Soft material.
5. Insufficient feed.
6. Improper coolants and not applied correctly.
7. Tools too soft—decarburization.

Tools Burn

1. Tools lack sufficient rake and clearances.
2. Too much speed.
3. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
4. Not enough feed.
5. Material too hard or too soft.
6. Tools too dull.
7. Soft tools—decarburization.

Chatter Marks

1. Tools too sharp.
2. Loose spindles.
3. Too wide a cut.
4. Improper coolant or coolant not applied with sufficient pressure.
5. Loose tools.
6. Tools cutting below center.
7. Feeds too light.
8. Too much speed.
9. Soft material.

Cannot Hold Dimensions

1. Loose spindles.
2. Too much dwell.
3. Dull tools.

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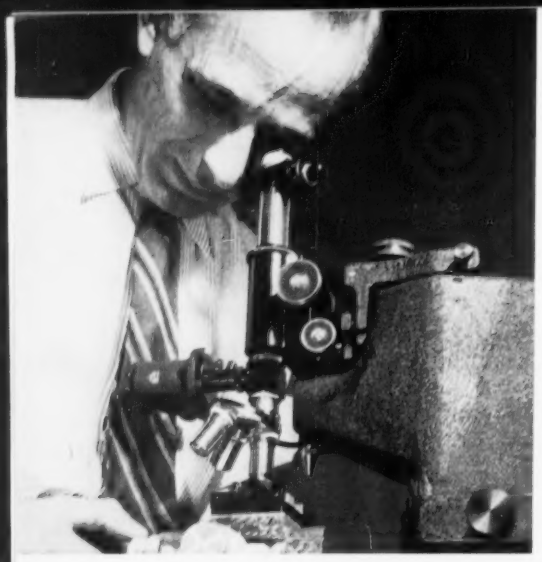
ing tools is necessary. A chronolog is attached to the machine. Reason for and duration of all down-time are exactly recorded (see accompanying photo).

On the Lookout—Some special factors may be watched during the test. Chips are considered important, since the form they take affects machinability. Chip color is also watched carefully, since oxide formation is an indication of cutting temperature.

Chips may be subjected to further examination in a Tukon machine to test microhardness. Specimens may range from extremely thin sections to selected microscopic constituents.

Metallurgists consider hardness

Test data are accumulated on four special forms. The record here includes speed, feed, number of pieces, etc.



Special factors, such as microhardness, may be checked. Samples range from thin sections to micro constituents

and the way it is achieved. A sample heat treated to a given hardness might cause tool failure and lowered production, but the same sample annealed and cold drawn to the same hardness gives a satisfactory product for machining. Difference lies in structure.

Records—Data from the test are accumulated on four special forms. First covers the actual machining test. Record includes speed and feed used, number of pieces produced, elapsed time, condition of tools, tool grinding required, oil temperature, chip condition and other data that may develop.

Meanwhile, the second form is

TROUBLES . . .

4. Soft material.
5. Loose tool holders.
6. Too much feed.
7. Dimensions too close to hold on production machines.

Excessive Tool Wear

1. Material highly abrasive.
2. Not enough feed.
3. Not enough or too much speed.
4. Improper coolant or not applied correctly.
5. Soft tools—decarburization.

DRILLING AND TAPPING TROUBLES

Drills Break

1. Drills too long.
2. Dull drills.
3. Not enough clearance.
4. Too much speed.
5. Too much feed.
6. Loose drills.
7. Drills binding in hole especially on soft material.
8. Margin or land too wide.
9. Drills and material get too hot.
10. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
11. Drills do not line up.
12. Drills hit too hard.

Drills Break Up Center

1. Lack of lip clearance.
2. Heel not properly backed off.
3. Too much feed.

Drills Wear Down Rapidly

1. Tools too soft—decarburization.
2. Try nitriding or hard chrome plate.
3. Feed too light.
4. Too much speed.
5. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
6. Material too soft or too hard.
7. Material highly abrasive.
8. Drills do not line up.

Machine Ground Drills

1. Not backed off properly.
2. Web too wide.

Rough Finish

1. Soft material.
2. "Bugs" on land or margin.
3. Too much feed.
4. Loose spindles.
5. Soft drills—decarburization.
6. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
7. Poor chip elimination.
8. Too much twist in drills.
9. Loose spindles.
10. Loose drills.
11. Slow speed.

Drills Chipping or Breaking Down on Cutting Edge

1. Too much lip clearance.
2. Heel backed off too much.
3. Too much speed.
4. Too much feed.
5. Improper chip elimination.
6. Stopping machine while feed is on.
7. Material too hard or too soft.

Drills Squeak

1. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
2. Drills not lined up properly.
3. Material too hard.
4. Too much spindle speed.
5. Not enough feed.
6. Lands or margin too wide or worn away completely.
7. "Bugs" forming on margin.
8. Drills are too dull.

Tapped Hole Too Big

1. Oversize tap.
2. Wrong type of tap—commercial or precision.
3. Hole to be tapped too large.
4. "Bugs" on teeth.

Taps Overloading Due to Pickup

1. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
2. Material too soft.
3. Insufficient hook.
4. Rough grinding.
5. Lands too wide.
6. Chips packing in flutes.
7. Dull tap.
8. Material too soft.
9. Taps too soft—decarburization.

Tapped Holes Vary in Size

1. Check tap holder for proper float.
2. Material is too hard.
3. Work hardened hole.
4. "Bugs" forming on teeth of tap.

Rough Threads

1. Improper coolant or not applied correctly.
2. Material too soft.
3. Improper hook.
4. Roughness may be caused when tap is backing out—in this case back off heel.
5. Dull taps, not hard enough or decarburization.

Broken Teeth

1. Tap may be too hard.
2. Improper chip elimination.
3. Material too soft or too hard.
4. Improper hook angle.
5. Improper lead angle or chamfer.

TROUBLES IN CUTTING O.D. THREADS WITH DIE HEAD

Thin or Pulled Threads

1. Material too hard.
2. Die head not lined up.
3. Wrong lead on chasers.
4. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
5. Improper chamfer on part being threaded.

Rough Threads

1. Not sufficient hook.
2. Material too soft.
3. Too much speed.
4. Dirty coolant.
5. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
6. Too much face angle on chasers.
7. Proper dimension prior to threading.
8. Chasers not cutting evenly.
9. Chasers too soft—decarburization.

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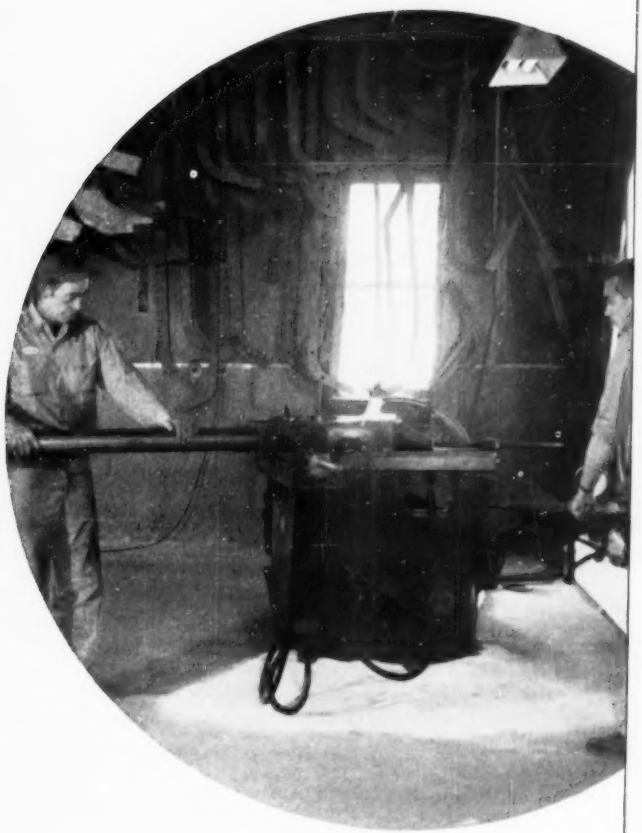

Bending a Revere Copper Tube for use in a Chris-Craft Cruiser. Revere Tube is also used in many Chris-Craft runabouts and utilities

Chris-Craft cruisers are protected at the stem by brass stem bands; Revere supplies half-round extruded shapes for this decorative and protective application. At the stern or transom, copper exhaust tubes are just visible. There is a story behind these tubes, which have to be bent to shape with great accuracy, and without wrinkling. Chris-Craft Corporation's specifications are most exacting. The bending is done by a specialist, the Melville-Lee Co., located in Algonac, Mich., as is Chris-Craft. When Revere sought an order for the copper tube, the Technical Advisory Service was permitted to study Melville-Lee's equipment and methods, so our Methods Department at the mill could be thoroughly informed of the high quality requirements.

The tube required runs in sizes from 2" to 3½" OD. Use of copper tube reduces weight, while the corrosion-resisting qualities of copper make it durable and long lasting. Special standards of control over roundness, eccentricity and temper were set up in our mill, and production shipments have worked perfectly from the very beginning. No wrinkling or tearing has been encountered.

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being prepared in the adjacent metallurgical lab. Here the record contains ladle and check analysis, grain size and structure of the steel—including photomicrographs.

Tests also are made of mechanical properties of the lot, both in the hot rolled and cold drawn conditions. Data cover tensile strength, yield point, elongation, reduction of area, impact strength and hardness.

Third form is the hot mill practice report, which is a history of the steel from the beginning of its manufacture. Fourth form is a summary. It relates the results of the test in a brief paragraph.

Objective—Republic's aim is to measure slight differences in machinability that occur in different lots of the same grade of steel, in addition to gross variations. Former may be caused by difference in microscopic structure, differences in steelmaking practice or by addition agents, such as aluminum, silicon, nitrogen, selenium, sulphur, etc. Short-time machinability tests are not sufficiently sensitive to measure these kinds of variables.

On a long-time test at Republic, a run on one lot of steel may take a minimum of 24 working hours; and thorough AISI-type tests take even longer. Usually about a ton of steel is consumed from each lot, and, in some cases, several heats are tested.

Testing also may be extended by experimental machining practice to determine the best feed and speed.

Dividends—Machining the "useless part" has been rewarding in many ways. Effects of hot mill practice and cold finishing procedure on machinability have been studied. New steels with higher machinability have been developed. And information has been gathered that enables machine tool users to get maximum results from their equipment and steels.

MILLING TROUBLES

Cutter Hogs In

1. Too much speed.
2. Material too soft.
3. Too much rake angle.
4. Loose work table.
5. Improper coolant.
6. Not enough feed.
7. Loose spindles.

Excessive Vibration

1. Too much speed.
2. Too much rake angle or rubbing.
3. Material too soft.
4. Material too hard.
5. Cutter not cutting steady—flywheel should be applied to cutter arbor.
6. Loose spindles on work table.

Cutter Wear

1. Too much speed.
2. Not enough feed.
3. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
4. Loose spindles.
5. Too much land.
6. Not enough rake angle.
7. Abrasive material.
8. Material too soft.
9. Soft cutters—decarburization.

Cutter "Bugs Up" and Burns

1. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
2. Soft material.
3. Too much speed.
4. Not enough feed.
5. Hook and clearance angle not right.
6. Too much land.

Cutter Burnishes Surface

1. Too much speed.
2. Not enough feed.
3. Lands too wide.
4. Loose spindles.
5. Hook and clearance angles not correct.
6. Work table too loose.
7. Material too hard.

BROACHING TROUBLES

Poor Finishes

1. Soft material.
2. Improper rake angle and not sufficient slide or slip clearance.
3. Improper alignment of broach.
4. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
5. Poor chip elimination.

Tooth Breakage

1. Soft material.
2. Too much rake angle.
3. Teeth too thin.
4. Broach puller out of alignment—check center of axis of broach with axis of face plate, as these must be in line.

Drifting

1. Check center of hole so it is in line with center of broach.

Excessive Wear on Teeth

1. Abrasive material.
2. Broach drifting.
3. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
4. Part being broached gets too hot.

Chatter

1. Pulling broach too fast.
2. Teeth too sharp—hone.
3. Parts not held tight enough.
4. Load per tooth too great.
5. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.

Parts Will Not Hold Size

1. Parts not held securely.
2. Parts too weak may spring out of shape.
3. Improper coolant.

Tearing

1. Soft material.
2. Not enough hook.
3. Improper coolant.
4. Not sufficient slide or slip clearance.

REAMING TROUBLES

Rough Finish

1. Too much speed.
2. Too much feed.
3. Not enough feed.
4. "Bugging" of lands.
5. Lands too wide.
6. Material too soft.
7. Dull reamers.
8. Poor chip disposal.
9. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.

Chatter

1. Too much speed.
2. Loose spindles.
3. Not enough feed.
4. Improper coolant or pressure.
5. Lands too narrow.
6. Not enough stock lift for reaming, or too much.
7. Possibly a special reamer should be used.

Burnished Surface

1. Not sufficient stock to remove.
2. Surface prior to reaming was work hardened.
3. Material too hard.
4. Lands too wide.
5. Too much speed.
6. Not enough feed.
7. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.

Tool Marks

1. Reamer too roughly ground.
2. Too coarse or too fine a feed.
3. Soft material.
4. "Bugs" on lands.
5. Lands too wide.
6. Speed too slow.

Reamer Binds

1. Too much land.
2. Not enough feed.
3. Too little to ream out.
4. Improper coolant or coolant not applied correctly.
5. Reamer not properly backed off.

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ZINC-RICH COMPOUNDS Give Cathodic Protection

By H. L. GREBINAR
Galvicon Corp.
New York

Coating can be brushed, sprayed or dipped. Using vinyl resins as binders, they contain 96 per cent zinc by weight when dry. Coating discontinuities are not a problem here

YOU can give iron or steel cathodic protection against corrosion by coating it with vinyl resins heavily saturated with zinc powder.

Coating (which also acts as a barrier against corrosion) is anodic. Being electropositive, it suffers corrosion while protecting the electronegative base metal. Zinc is higher in the electromotive series than iron.

Compound is brushed, sprayed or dipped. Two spray coats equal one brush coat in thickness. Viscosity for dipping is about midway between the brush and spray coat.

Pros and Cons—Surfaces can be treated at any time during manufacture or installation. Surface preparation is minimal. And although the coating costs more than most base-coat paints, its promise of longer life is a potential saving.

Two limitations: Vinyl resin bonding media is affected by chlorinated hydrocarbons and petroleum solvents; and coatings should be given 48 hours to dry.

Normal air drying takes about 40 minutes, but two days is needed for complete evaporation of solvents and the setting up of galvanic action. So the coating cannot be put under severe abrasive conditions soon after application. Complete aging depends upon moisture in the air. Longer the coating is exposed to atmospheric conditions or salt water immersion, the harder it becomes.

Background — J. E. O. Mayne, British expert on corrosion, says that this type coating must "contain metallic zinc power in sufficient quantity (about 95 per cent after drying) for pigment particles to be in contact with each other . . . and confer cathodic protection."

Mr. Mayne coated steel plates with the zinc-rich compound, pierced them with a scratch line and placed them in sea water. They showed no evidence of loose rust after two years. Even after the electrical connection between zinc and steel ceased, protection continued through the formation of zinc hydroxide, which had been deposited on the exposed steel as a cathodic product.

Tests—Galvicon, product of Galvicon Corp., is talked of as a cold galvanizing compound rather than a paint. Here are test results:

Salt spray—coating was sprayed for 600 hours with a 20 per cent salt solution kept at 95° in a chamber. Results: Coated steel showed

better protection than any other form of treated steel.

Electrolytic effect on rusted panel—coating was applied to a rusted panel and air dried 48 hours. Then it was immersed in a 20 per cent salt solution for 24 hours. Results: Action of zinc on iron oxide produced a rust of an adherent and protective nature.

Adhesion-bond test — 22-gage steel was coated ½ ounce per square foot. Specimens dried for 12 hours, then bent through 180 degrees on a ¼-inch radius. Results: Adhesion on outside of bend was perfect, with no flaking.

Humidity test—panels were exposed in relative humidity of 100 per cent at 140° F. Twenty-one cycles, of 6 hours each, were carried out. Results: Little or no change apparent on the surface, with no sign that the coating was lifting or breaking down.

BSI copper sulphate test—Pieces of bright steel were coated about ½ oz per sq ft and immersed for seven 1-minute periods in a $CuSO_4$ solution at 149° F. Results: No surface breakdown apparent.

Purity — Galvicon Corp. found that chemical and physical properties of the zinc are of primary importance. Zinc must be as pure as possible and completely free from lead.

They found that the finest particle size available from commercial producers was about 7 times greater than that necessary for a smooth, uniform coating. So a microgrinding process is used.

Specifications—When dry, Galvicon has a zinc content of 96 per cent by weight. It affords protection against dilute acids and vapors, solutions of inorganic salts, humidity, sea water, fresh water and salt atmospheres.

Coating, which is dull mat battleship grey, leaves a surface that is medium hard and flexible. It will resist temperatures up to 350° F, and its adhesion, which is good, improves with age. At brushing consistency, it will cover 625 sq ft per gallon—one coat gives a protective coating about 0.0009 inch thick.

Applications Unlimited—Coating can be applied to any iron or steel surface subject to corrosion. It can be used as a prime coat or a self finish. Any standard oil-base paint can be applied over it for decorative purposes.

How To—In preparing surfaces, be sure they are free from grease, oil, loose rust and moisture. Scratch adhering rust with a wire brush to establish bare metal to act as an anchor for the coating over the rusted surface.

Compound must be stirred thoroughly until there is a definite grayish appearance that denotes even dispersion of zinc. Mixture should be agitated occasionally, to obtain a uniform coating.

Apply with a clean, soft-bristle brush, well loaded with the medium. Work with the compound as near the bottom of the can as possible. Zinc has a tendency to settle. A full brush of compound is needed for even distribution. Brush rapidly, particularly at temperatures about 80° F. If an additional coat is used, allow 2 hours between coats.

After surface is tack free, splash water on the coating. Water acts as an electrolyte and hastens the galvanic action. It also helps detect thin spots in the coating. If minute traces of rust appear within 24 to 48 hours after washing, retouch faulty work.

Coating also may be sprayed or dipped. For spraying, suggested dilution is 100 per cent by volume with the solvent. Use a spray gun with an agitator developing pressure between 60 to 85 psi, using 4 or 5 nozzles. For dipping, it is suggested that brushing compound should be diluted in ratio of one part solvent to two parts compound. Mixture requires agitation system.

Corrosion of Iron and a Second Metal in Electrical Contact and Totally Immersed in 1 Per Cent NaCl

Second Metal	Iron-corrosion in mg.	Corrosion of second metal in mg.
Magnesium	0.0	3104.3
Zinc	0.4	688.0
Cadmium	0.4	307.9
Aluminum	9.8	105.9
Antimony	153.1	13.8
Tungsten	176.0	5.2
Lead	183.2	3.6
Tin	171.1	2.5
Nickel	181.1	0.2
Copper	183.1	0.0

Note: Degree electropositive metal corrodes is directly proportional to the current flowing between it and the iron or steel. Zinc is topped by only magnesium in cathodic protection, but magnesium is difficult to apply and its galvanic function is hampered by an insulating oxide film.

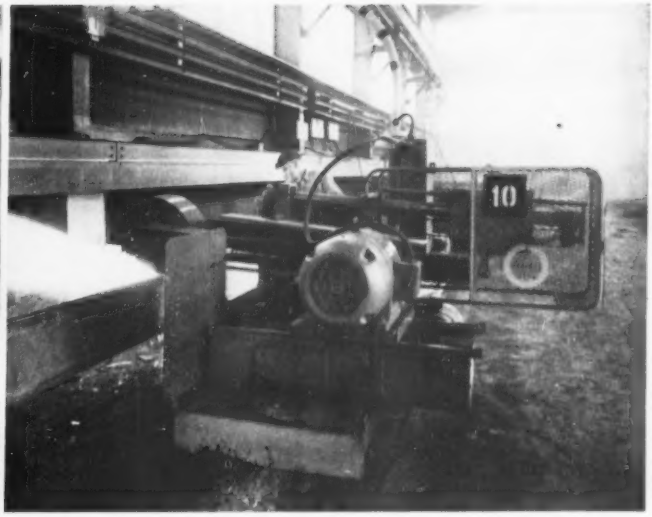
Paints, Anodic and Cathodic Metallic Coatings

Use of paint as a coating is based on the principle that air and moisture are isolated from the base metal. However, where these coatings are scratched, etched or broken, corrosion is likely to set in with serious damage to the metal itself.

Where iron is the anode and the coating is the cathode, conditions must be maintained to prevent discontinuities in the presence of an electrolyte. Any gap or pin hole will cause the iron to be sacrificed preferentially to the coating, with resultant pitting and blistering. If not properly applied and maintained, cathodic coatings may cause greater corrosion than no coating at all.

Where iron is the cathode and the coating the anode, the coating sacrifices itself for the protection of the base metal. Zinc coatings throw down a film precipitate in the cathodic zone. Film gives protection because iron salts formed will be precipitated by zinc hydroxide (in the presence of oxygen) as a clinging protective form of rust. Even though scratches and gaps occur, exposed iron escapes attack primarily because it is the cathode of the cell zinc-iron.

Portion of the grinding line at Rotary illustrates the over-all improvement over similar swing grinder installations. Striped lines are the trolley power take-offs



Closeup of the machine shows details of the reciprocating mechanism that moves the grinder across the slab face as the entire machine moves parallel to its length

TAKE THE STRAIN . . . out of slab grinding

That's what Rotary Steel did when they installed a battery of electric, hydraulically-controlled grinders. Trebled output, other savings overshadow higher machine costs

CHECK off one more back-breaking job that's on its way out of the steelmaking picture.

Grinding the rolled-in scale and imperfections from slabs of stainless or special steels prior to the finish rolling is ordinarily done by teams of men, each man guiding a large, unwieldy swing grinder. But a new line of grinding machines at Rotary Electric Steel Co., Detroit, takes the manual labor out of the job and makes it safer and faster.

Other Plusses—The new grinding bay at Rotary has fourteen of the machines in operation. Designed by Mid-West Abrasive Co., Owosso, Mich., the machines are track-mounted and can move the entire length of the slab while grinding.

Due to the rigid control of wheel pressure and position, machine uses less grinding wheels for a given output than the swing grinder. At the same time, one machine is grinding three times as much surface per unit of time and doing it with much smaller metal losses.

Dangers resulting from wheel failure are greatly minimized in the new machine because the operator is protected by the cab construction. Furthermore, because control of the wheel is so positive there is less likelihood that dangerous, deep cuts will be taken.

Edges Too — Difficult job of grinding edges of slabs poses no problems for the machine. Controlled stroke mechanism allows the abrasive wheel to be positioned directly over the steel slab edge.

To maintain a uniform grinding pressure, as selected by the operator, a counter-balancing mechanism is designed to regulate the vertical forces on the spindle and control shaft. As the abrasive wheel is moved away from the operator, causing an increase in the pressure

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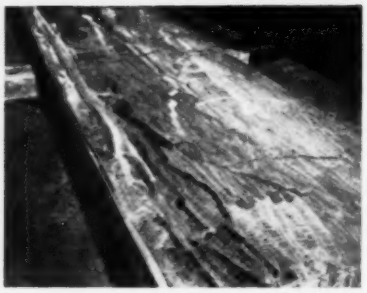


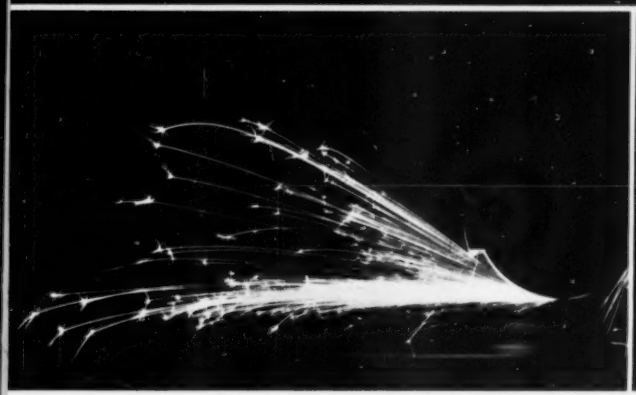
Note the difference in grinding patterns when the new grinder is used. Irregular marks on lower photo often indicate an excessive metal removal, common in manual swing grinding

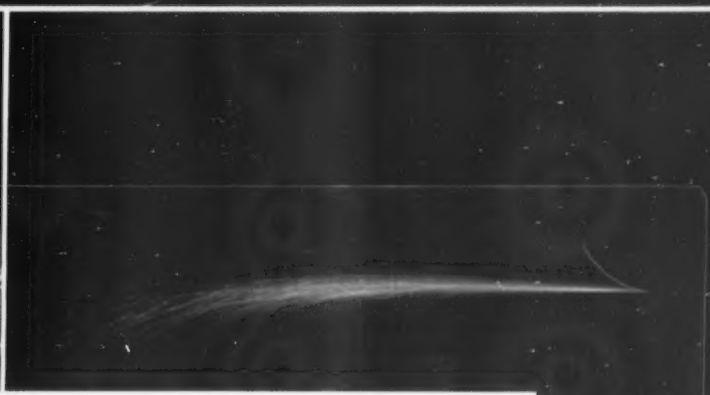
moment, a weight located on the slide arm is moved in the opposite direction to create a bending moment on the shaft in the opposite direction.

Hydraulic Motions — All of the positioning motions—raising, lowering, tilting and reciprocating — are accomplished hydraulically from controls at the operator's station. Machine mounts a 20 by 2½-inch abrasive wheel, belt-connected to a 20-hp motor; and it has a reciprocating grinding stroke of 42 inches, perpendicular to the machine's running track. However, the machine will take a 24-inch wheel, and the stroke can be lengthened beyond the 42 inches. Wheel speed is about 10,500 fpm.

Besides this new grinding bay, Rotary still operates a battery of swing grinders. Operators for the new line were chosen on the basis of seniority, since grinders were eager to operate the less-fatiguing, new machines.

Though the new machines represent a capital investment many times that of swing grinders, Rotary feels that the trebled output plus savings on grinding wheels and greater safety factor more than offset the higher cost.





Every little spark stream has a meaning all its own

Upper photo, HIGH CARBON STEEL . . . lower left, TITANIUM . . . lower right, HI-SPEED STEEL.

Touch a grinding wheel to a bar or billet, and a trained spark-tester can tell you what the metal is—even what the alloy is—by observing the spark pattern. Many companies use this method to double check the metals used in manufacture. It is one thing to choose a grinding wheel for spark testing—quite another to choose one for production grinding. The spark stream from your grinding machine tells a different story—a *profit* story—when you use grinding wheels by CARBORUNDUM. Profitable grinding is possible only with the wheel that suits your production demands, your machine, your operator. Making *sure* you get the right wheel for every purpose is a cardinal rule at CARBORUNDUM. For proof, call your Distributor or Salesman today.

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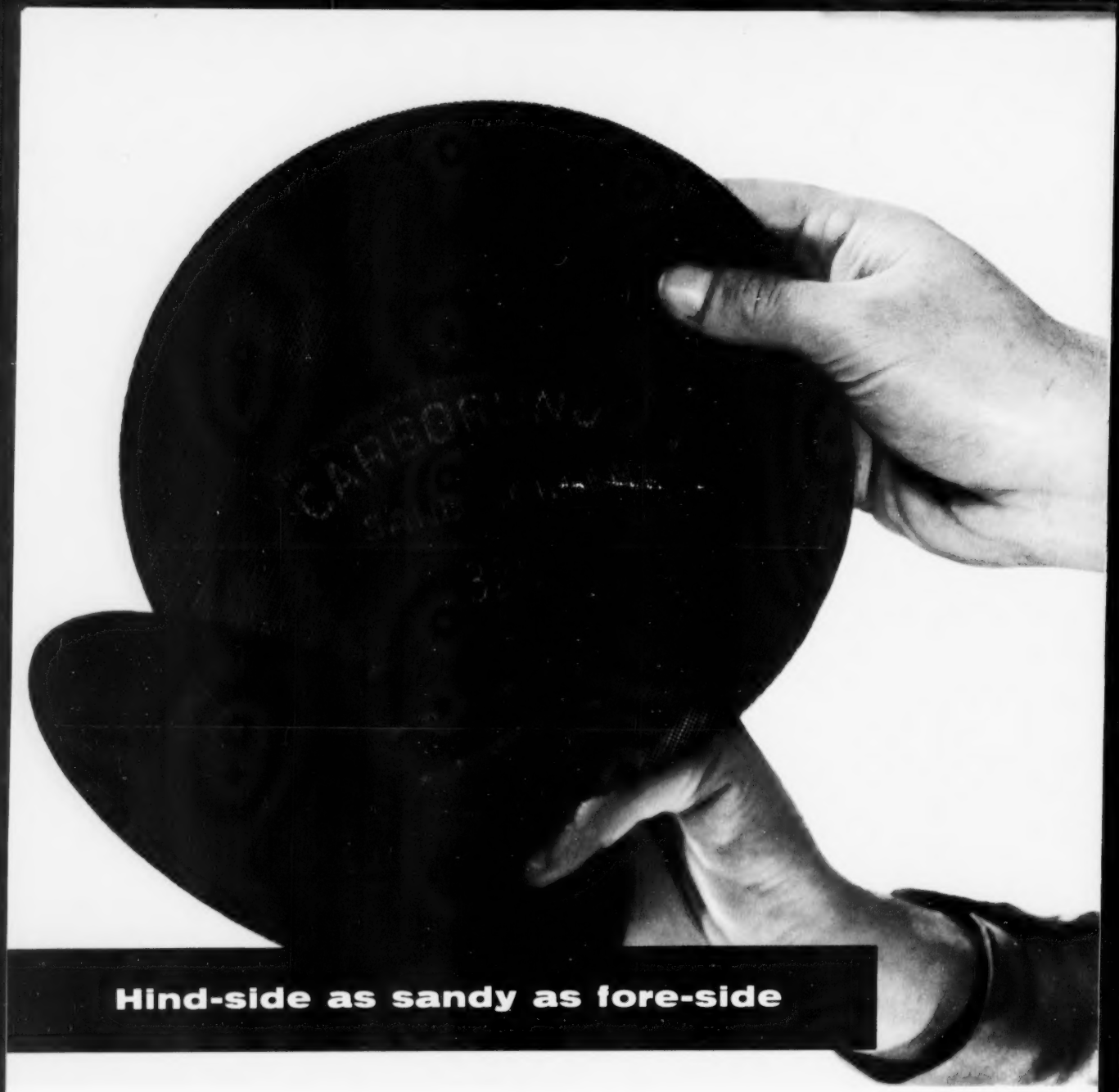

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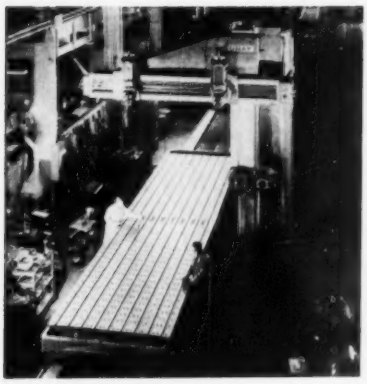

Giant Openside Planer

A giant machine tool, 120 x 108 inches x 30 feet has been completed by G. A. Gray Co., Cincinnati. It weighs in excess of 284,000 pounds and required six freight cars to ship it to the West Coast. The planer took two years to build

Program of Progress

The first sheet steel has been rolled at Pittsburgh Steel Co.'s new four-stand tandem cold rolling mill at Allenport, Pennsylvania.

Sheet steel for automobile bodies, electric appliances, building materials and thousands of other applications began emerging from the mill as operations began. The mill embodies the latest technical development in mechanical and electrical design and construction.

Scope—The tandem mill, together with other processing equipment for annealing sheet steel, a four high temper mill, two flying shear lines for cutting sheets to length, a slitting line for cutting the sheet to narrow widths and packaging and shipping facilities, is the largest installation of this type to be built in the Pittsburgh district for 15 years. The start of the mill marks the entry of Pittsburgh Steel into the market for cold rolled sheets. The sheets produced on the mill will range from 20 inches to 60 inches wide, and from 12-gage to 28-gage in thickness.

The expansion into flat rolled products in addition to the company's output of wire and wire products and seamless tubular products has been accomplished under a 4-year $65 million progress program.

Models Aid In Research

Scale models are helping speed development of atomic power.

Atkins & Merril Inc., Sudbury, Mass., makes models of several of the Atomic Energy Commission's more important development projects. Scale models make it possible for scientists, engineers, designers, and contractors to visualize in three dimensions the total or any part of a complicated project before actual construction begins. Savings in engineering, drafting, design, construction, training, etc. are sure to follow.

Atkins & Merril makes the models to accurate scale. Materials used are wood, plastic and metals specially formed, machined or molded to the purpose by skilled technicians. A complicated atomic or industrial scale model may take 2000 or more man hours to build. The models are generally recognized by industry and the armed forces as a simple and fast way to instruct and train installation and operating personnel.

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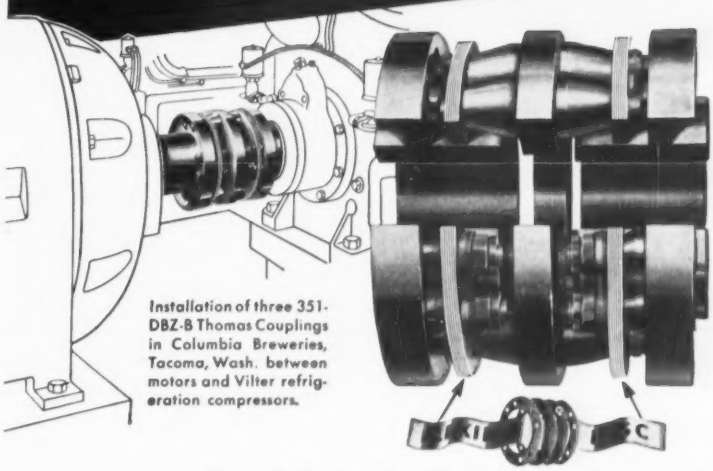

Installation of three 351-DBZ-B Thomas Couplings in Columbia Breweries, Tacoma, Wash. between motors and Vilter refrigeration compressors.

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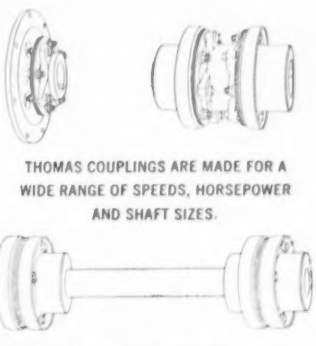

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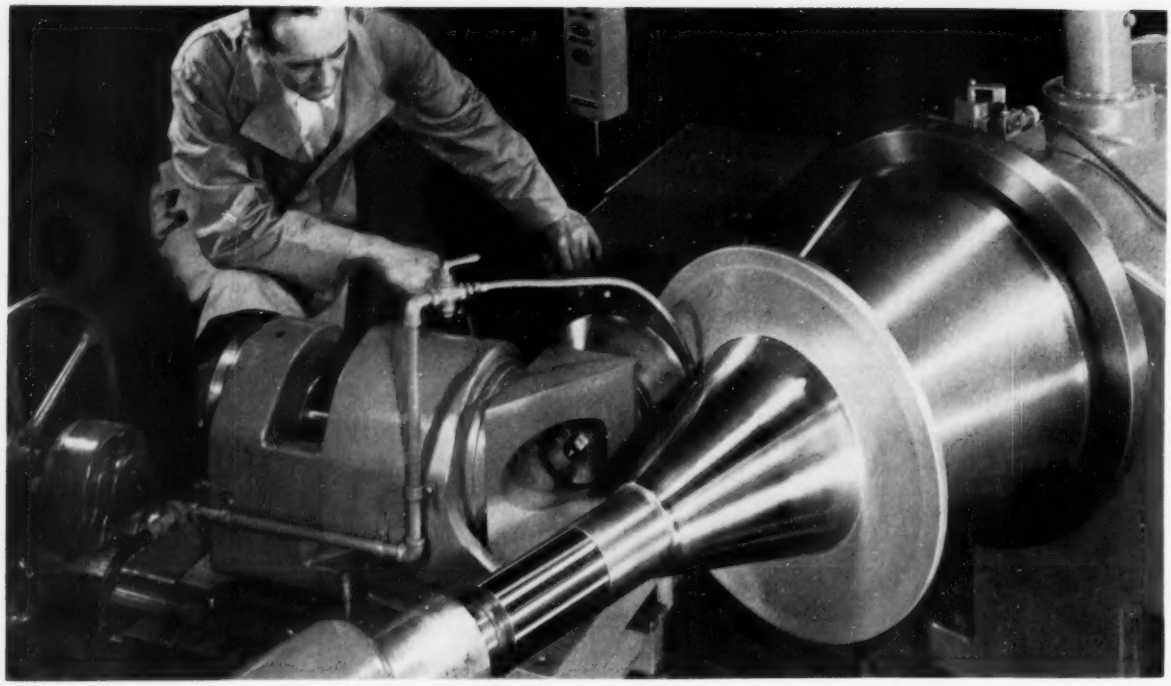


Roll forming a jet engine exhaust cone. Diameter of the blank does not change as roller cold-flows metal to shape of mandrel on lathe spindle

New Tool For Roll Forming

Using heavy pressures, steel rolls cold-flow metal back along a mandrel. Wall thickness of part is reduced from that of the blank. High tensile strength is one advantage

STARTING as a forging with a weight of 369 pounds, a finished workpiece wound up a trim 50 pounds. Estimated cost of the forging was $276.75. Using a new metal-forming technique, the blank weighed 65 pounds and cost just $48.75. Savings in material alone were $228 or 82½ per cent.

Just announced by Lodge & Shipley Co., Cincinnati, the new metal-forming process is called Floturn. The method forms metal with heavy pressure applied to a rotating workpiece. It causes the metal to flow in a cold state.

How It Goes—Using a hardened and polished roller, the pressure is applied in a continuous spiral manner, gradually and accurately flowing a metal blank to the shape of a mandrel.

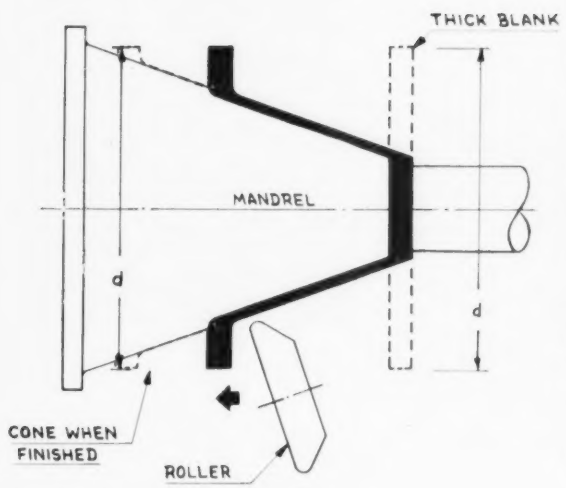
Conical, cylindrical, combinations of the two, and other complex shapes are easily formed. Process starts with a simple flat blank, machined blank, machined forging, drawn cup, wrapped and welded cylinder or a centrifugal casting. In many cases, with a single pass, the part can be finished.

Not Related — While Floturning resembles metal spinning, the two processes differ basically. In spinning, a blank considerably larger than the finished piece is used. Using moderate pressure, the metal is folded back onto the mandrel and the metal is rarely thinned.

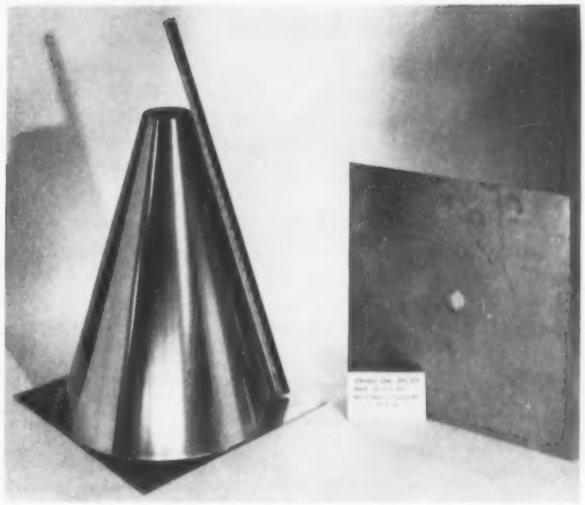
In the Floturn method diameter of the blank is exactly that of the finished part. Thickness is heavier than required in the finished wall. Additional metal flows into the extended shape. Machine controls the operations and all pieces are uniform. Dimensions can be held to ±0.002-inch.

Pretested — Process already has been checked and used in jet aircraft engine production. New alloys, including many considered hard to machine, can be Floturned. Among metals successfully formed are: All 300 and 400 series stainless steels, Timken 16-25-6 and 17-225, Haynes Multimet, Universal Cyclops Uniloy 19-9, Inconel and Inconel X, Monel and K-Monel, titanium Ti-140-A, copper and aluminum, as well as mild steel.

Physicals—Cold working of the metal also improves the tensile strength and hardness. Tests on 302 annealed, cold-rolled stainless steel showed tensile strength increased as much as 100 per cent. Hardness increased to between 57 and 59 $R_{30\,N}$.



Process forms metal like this . . .



To get shapes like this cone . . .

Flanges can be left at open end of the cone by stopping roll carriage. Flange thickness will be the same as that of the original blank. Shape of the blank, (round, square, etc.) determines the shape of the flange.

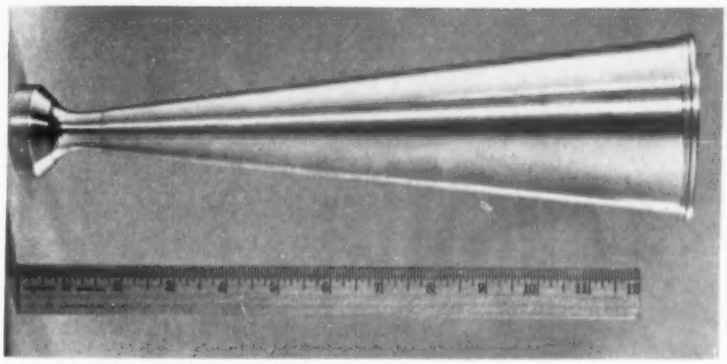
Limits — Wall thickness reductions up to 75 per cent have been achieved in one pass. The No. 40 Floturn lathe will form shapes up to 42 inches in diameter. Blanks of the harder metals may be worked up to 5/16-inch thick.

It is not generally recommended to form a flat blank into a cone with less than 30 degrees included angle in one pass. For these shapes the blank should be preformed by an additional pass, machining, or press forming.

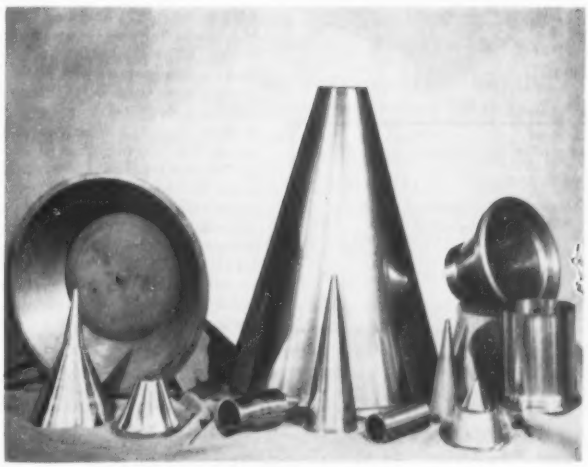
Equipment—Mandrels are generally hardened and ground tool steel. Pressure roller is high-speed steel, also hardened and ground. Rolls are 10 or 12-inch diameter with a small radius (1/16 to ¾-inch) at one edge of the periphery and a beveled face.

A lubricant is flowed onto the work at the point of roll contact. While it seems the choice of lubricant is not critical, finish and performance are improved when using a lubricant, as opposed to dry forming.

Speeds and feeds vary with the metal being worked and the shape and size of the workpiece.



Or this nozzle (in 3 operations) . . .



Or any of these varied parts

Protective Relay Installed

PROTECTIVE relay equipment was recently installed on a 132-kv line of the Appalachian Electric Power Co. in Virginia. General Electric manufactured the equipment.

With the new equipment the maximum response time to any faulty condition occurring on the protected line is one cycle of system frequency (0.0167 seconds on a 60-cycle system). Circuit breaker tripping at both ends of the line is initiated within this time after the fault has occurred. The fault clearing time is reduced with the equipment, the system's stability is increased and larger amounts of power to be transmitted over lines than previously possible is allowed.

The equipment can be applied on three terminal lines or on very long lines where fault currents can be less than load current. The single carrier channel which is required for blocking of tripping during external fault conditions can be used concurrently for telephone and other extra functions.

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. . . to be used on 330-kv system

Composition—Composed entirely of electronic circuits, the inherent handicap of mechanical inertia of electromagnetic relays is eliminated in the new equipment. Functions of the individual units parallel those of conventional relays in directional comparison relaying equipment. Electronic measurement of the power line ac current and voltage relationships provides relay operating characteristics of well-known form.

GE engineers add that because of the types of circuits employed, the speed of response to faults is essentially independent of the magnitude or location of the fault as contrasted with the much slower response of electromagnetic relays to low magnitude faults at distant points on the protected line.

Plans are to use the relay equipment on the lines of the Ohio Power Co.'s new 330-kv transmission system.

Inspecting Cylinder Bores

An air gage is reported to be a quick and easy way to inspect squareness of an automobile cylinder bore with the axis of the crankshaft bore. Sheffield Corp., Dayton, O., developed the gage.

It consists of a chrome-plated gaging spindle connected to a four-column Precisionaire and a cylindrical bar for locating the axis of the crankshaft bore. The gaging spindle has two sets of Balljet gaging contacts along its length for checking squareness and two Balljets in vee end to indicate when the spindle is properly positioned on the axis locating bar.

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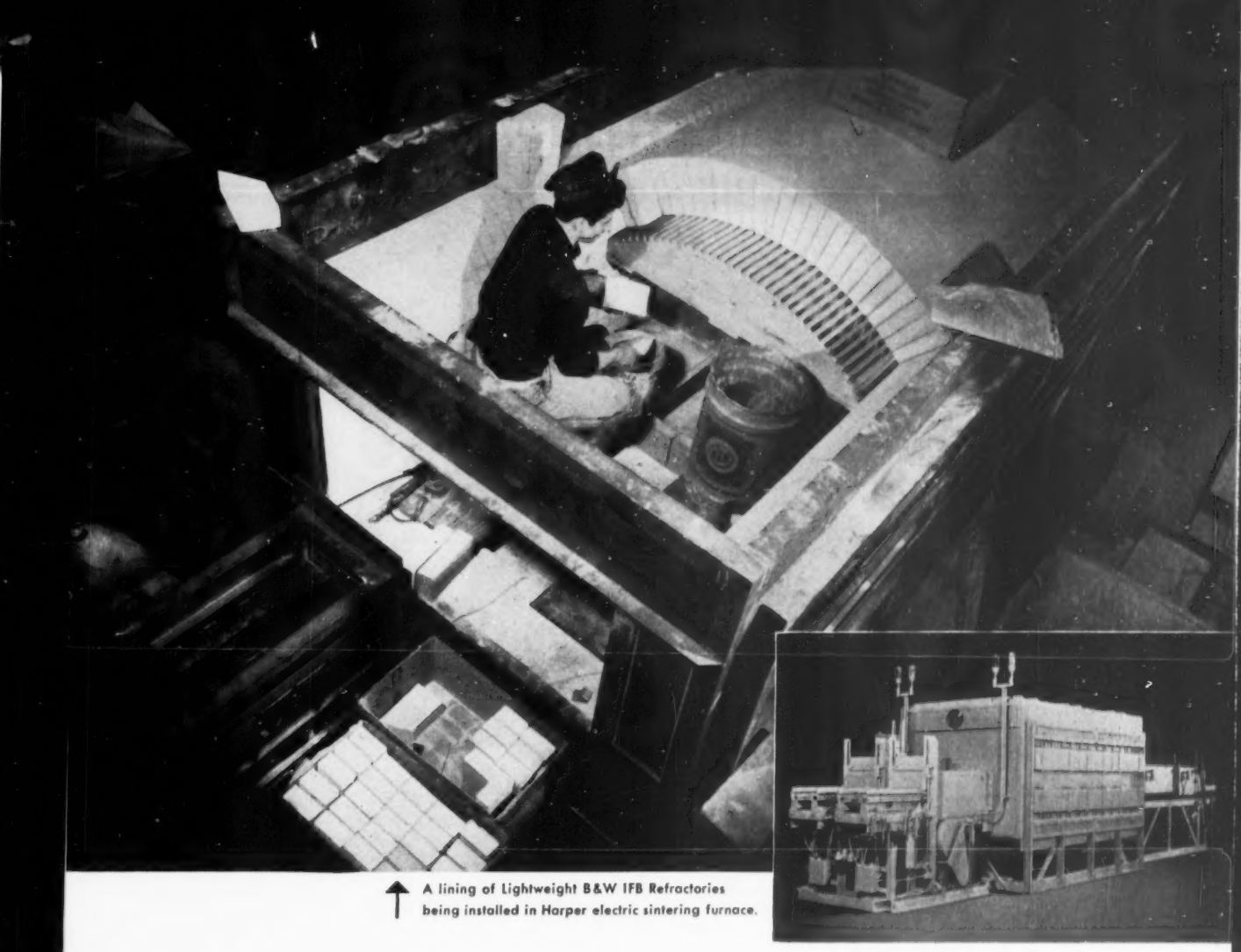

A lining of Lightweight B&W IFB Refractories being installed in Harper electric sintering furnace.

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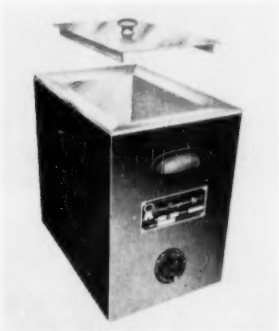
Plastic Tank

. . . has aluminum melting unit

Dipping performance is improved with the use of model 35 plastic melting tank according to Evens-Thompson. An outstanding



new feature is the all cast aluminum melting unit with inward pitched self-draining top that melts plastic faster. The top design eliminates overflow and caking of plastic. It is equipped with Robertshaw precision controls and chrome steel sheathed electric heating elements. The tank has a 3.6-gallon dipping capacity, 15 inches x 18 inches x 19 inches over-all. It weighs 32 pounds and is easy to operate. Evens-Thompson Mfg. Co.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 1 ON REPLY CARD

Carbide Tool Grinder

. . . two-operator worktable

Hammond Machinery has added the Model WD-6 wet or dry carbide tool grinder to its line.

The new grinder incorporates many of the features of their larger 10-inch and 14-inch machines. Among them are: Self-contained pump and tank unit mounted in the base of the machine providing a constant flow of coolant; to compensate for wheel wear, tables adjust in and out by means of screw feed; wheels are quickly and easily changed; two operators can grind

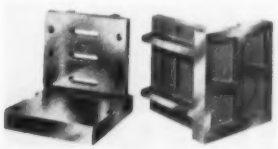
tools at the same time with freedom of movement and unobstructed vision. Hammond Machinery Builders Inc.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 2 ON REPLY CARD

Angle Irons

. . . speed tool and die work

Taft-Pierce has added multiplex angle irons to its line of precision toolroom and inspection equipment.



A general-purpose iron, it has proved to be a valuable timesaver in processing tool and die work.

Made of high quality cast iron, carefully normalized, all surfaces are scraped for accurate flatness and squareness. It is especially helpful in eliminating multiple setups and excessive handling of work in inspection rooms. It will also be useful for boring mills, planers and drill presses. In many instances this iron permits a single setup of the work piece for numerous machining and inspection operations, providing greater work accuracy at less cost. Taft-Peirce Mfg. Co.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 3 ON REPLY CARD

Alkyd Enamels

. . . for trouble-free performance

Broma Spray-It-Yourself Alkyd Enamels are an addition to the Master Bronze Powder Broma line.

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spray head is removable for easy cleaning without damage to the valve assembly. A wide color selection is available. Master Bronze Powder Co.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 4 ON REPLY CARD

Steam-Cleaning Composition

. . . non-toxic, easy to use

The Chemical Research Laboratories of Oakite have developed material, Composition No. 93, specifically designed for use in steam-cleaning operations.

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FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 5 ON REPLY CARD

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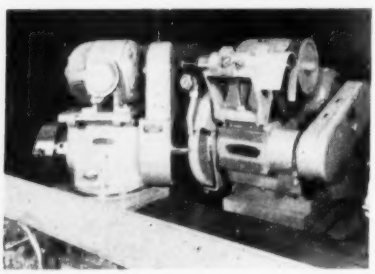
FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 6 ON REPLY CARD

Grinding Machine

. . . for extra versatility

The type U-4, 12-inch universal grinding machine has been designed to provide extra versatility



through simplified setups and fast, precise grinding action for limited production items.

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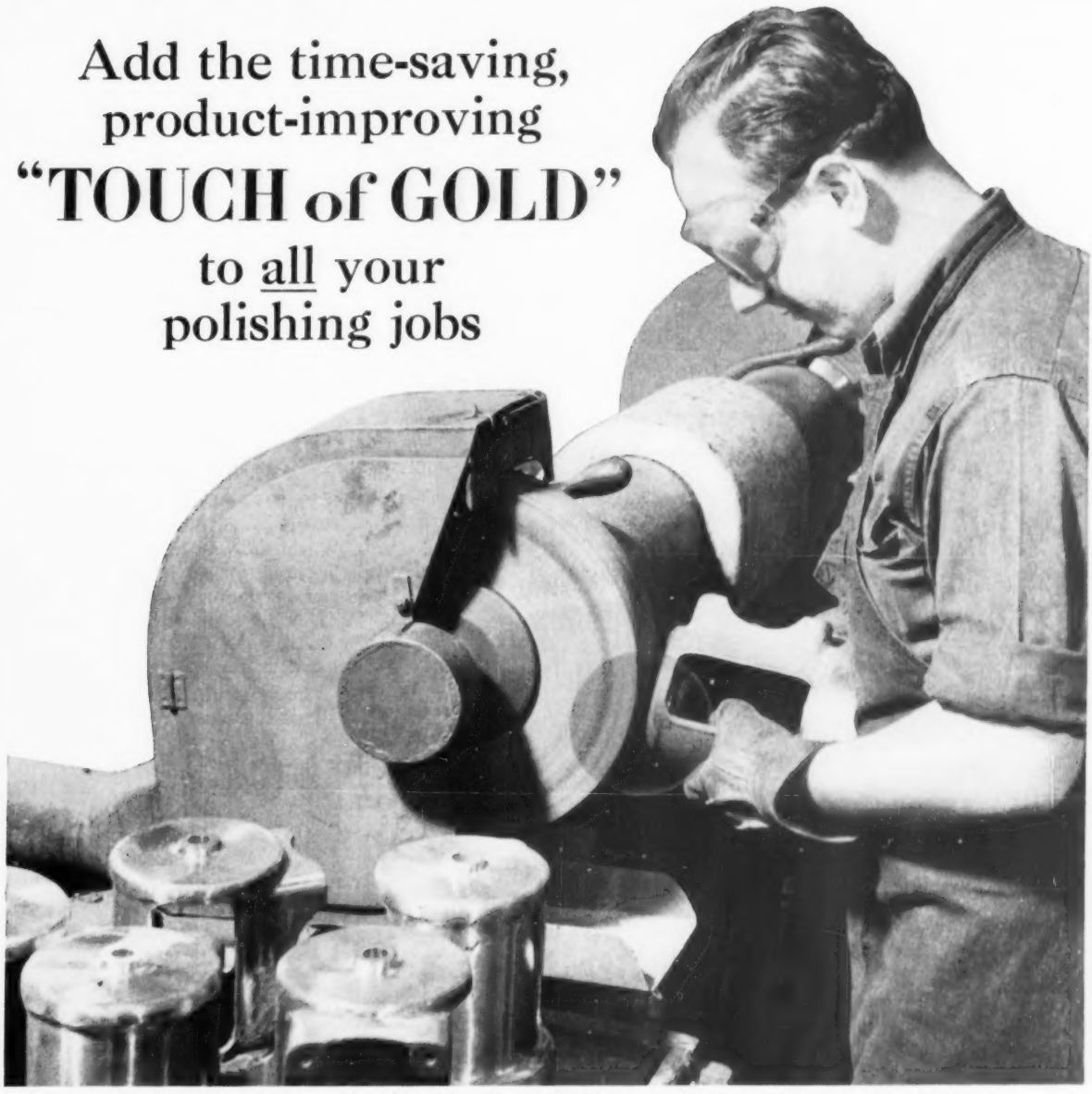

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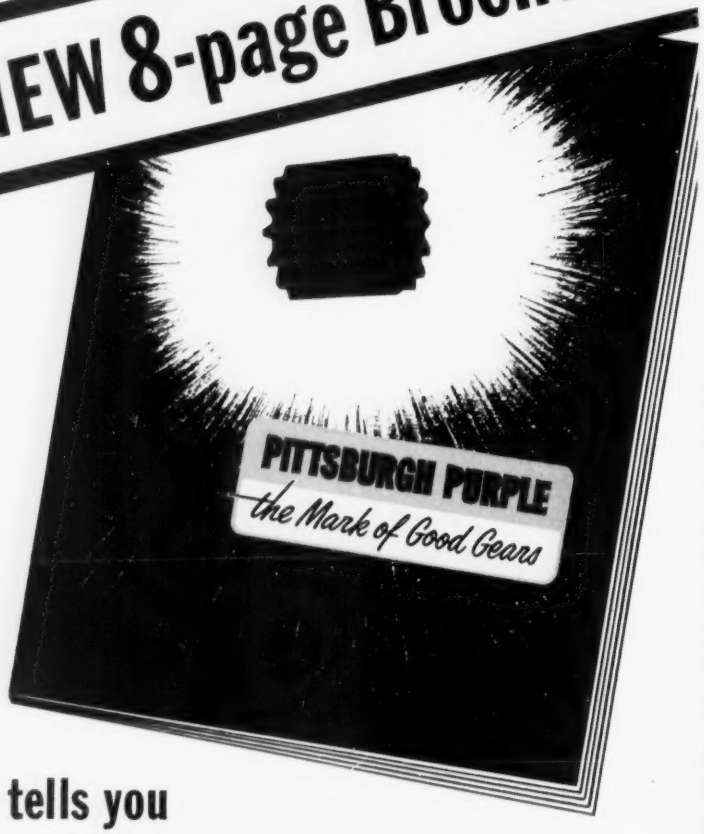

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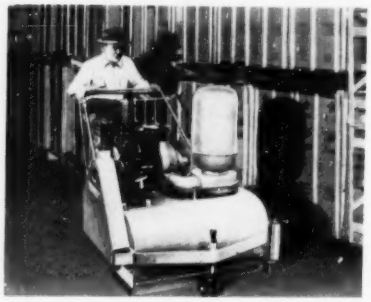
FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 7 ON REPLY CARD

Power Sweeper

. . . gets dust, fine particles

The Wilshire model 800 power sweeper and its companion, the Wilshire 3-way maintainer, are to be used by large manufacturers and distributors as well as by railroads to maintain safe, sanitary conditions in warehouses, on loading docks and in traffic areas.

The patented Duscon system allows the sweeper to pick up dust,



lint and metal particles too fine to be picked up with a broom. This dust is removed from the heavier debris and deposited in a large capacity dust bag. The maintainer is also equipped with blower and suction systems for removing dust from merchandise, shelves and for picking up dust and debris in corners, under benches and shelves and in bins. Wilshire Power Sweeper Co.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 8 ON REPLY CARD

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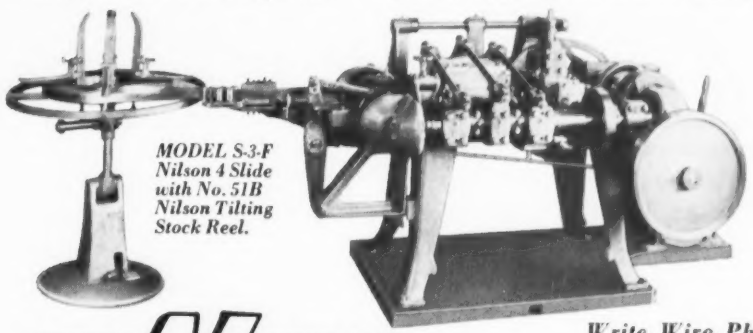

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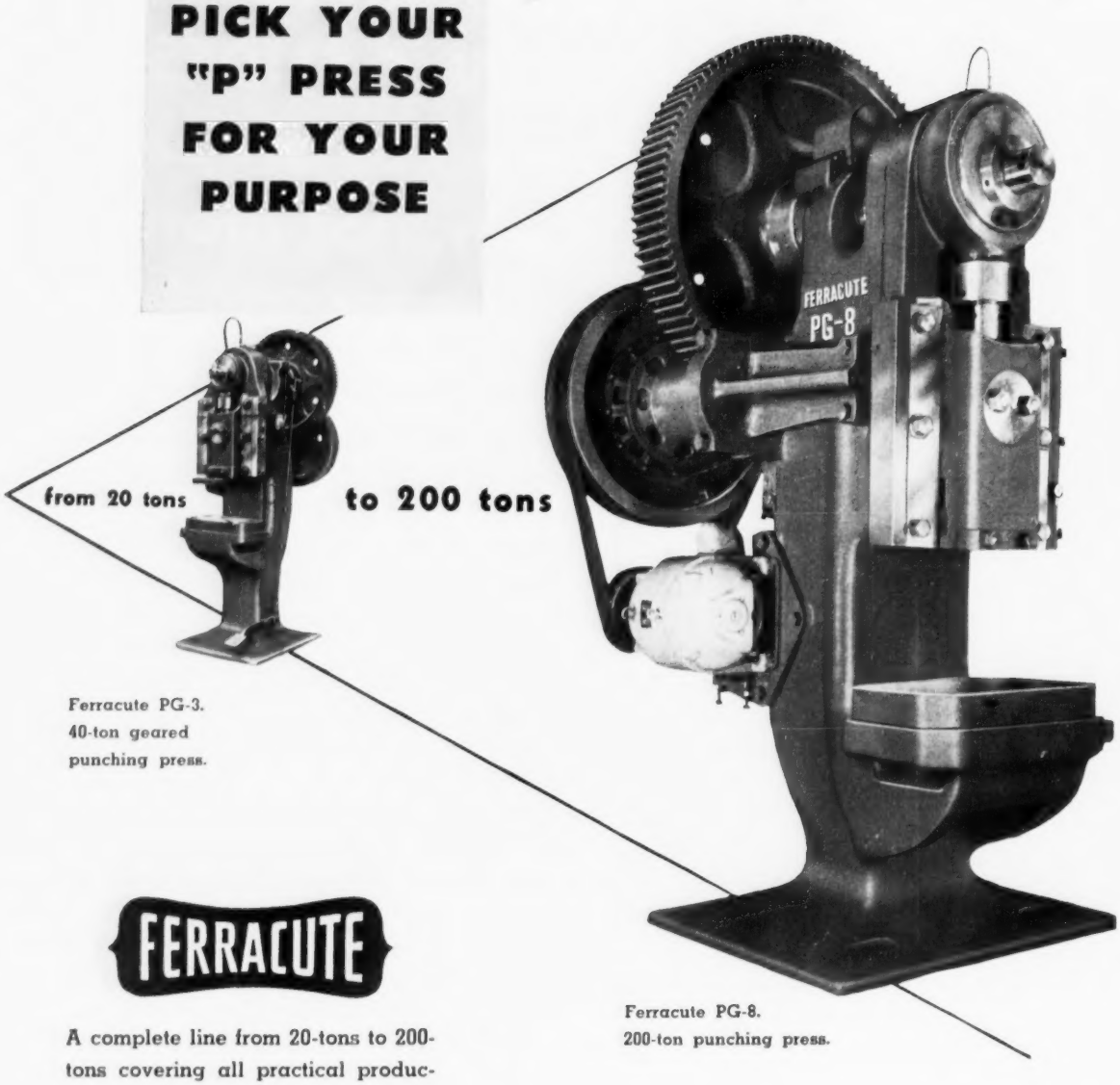

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tact with the work continues during the entire soldering operation until the contact between the tool and the work is broken.

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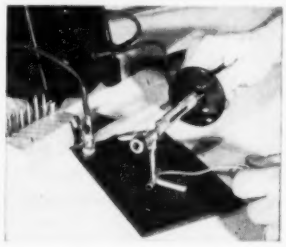

fitting. The carbon tips can be machined to any shape to facilitate work on unusual and difficult soldering jobs. The two angled tips can be used simultaneously speeding and simplifying work normally difficult to handle. Newage International Inc.

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FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 11 ON REPLY CARD

Welding Electrodes

. . . prevent flaking

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FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 12 ON REPLY CARD

FREE LITERATURE

Catalogs and Clip Sheets

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Rotary Swaging Machines

Torrington Co.—Basic advantages of rotary swaging are covered in a booklet offered by Torrington. It lists what you can do quickly, economically and accurately and shows how the Torrington rotary swaging machine works.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 13 ON REPLY CARD

Air-Conditioned Cabs

Lintern Corp.—Lintern offers a booklet on how to air condition crane cabs successfully and showing its complete line of Aire-Rectifiers. With this booklet, the prospective user can select the right model for the particular temperature range of the crane in mind. Included is a chart of application temperature and models recommended for particular conditions.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 14 ON REPLY CARD

Washer Catalog

Joliet Wrought Washer Co.—This company offers a 12-page catalog covering standard size, stock washer listing, special washers and finishes, machine screw washers, expansion plugs and machinery bushing washers, etc. Charts and diagrams include American Standard for plain washers and the proposed American Standard for apparatus washers.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 15 ON REPLY CARD

Copper-Electrode Specs

Ampco Metal Inc. — Tentative specification for copper and copper-alloy welding electrodes, ASTM designation B 225-53T, AWS designation A 5.6-53T, has been revised and released in printed form. The spec covers all chemical requirements, deposit mechanical properties, methods of testing, preheat and interpass temperatures, standard sizes, etc. for copper and copper-alloy electrodes for metal-arc and the inert-gas consumable electrodes processes.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 16 ON REPLY CARD

Titanium Alloy

Kennametal Inc.—A 6-page brochure covers Kennametal's new heat-resistant titanium alloy. Characteristics of typical Kentanium compositions are given, with applications and high temperature properties. Stress rupture strength and density are shown in graph form.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 17 ON REPLY CARD

Slide Rule for Milling

Clarkson Inc.—A slide rule for milling speeds and feeds gives readings for tough and medium steel, cast iron, phosphorus, bronze, mild steel, brass and aluminum. Readings are conservative for Clarkson Cutters. Rates should be used as a starting point from which to work up to maximum speed and feed.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 18 ON REPLY CARD

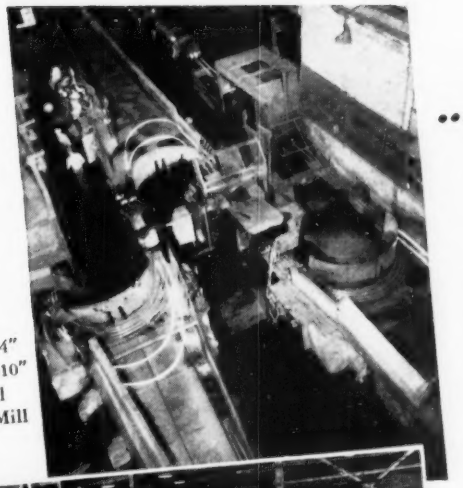
Electroplating Line

Hanson - Van Winkle - Munning Co.—A complete line of dc electrical equipment for use in electroplating processes is pictured and described in a 4-page bulletin. The line includes dc generators, rectifiers, PR controllers, tank rheostats and special panels.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 19 ON REPLY CARD

Machinability: Steel, Brass

Titan Metal Mfg. Co.—Machinability of free-cutting brass is compared with that of leaded steel in a 48-page booklet just published. It reports results of extensive, closely-controlled research laboratory tests on the two commercial metals, as well as results



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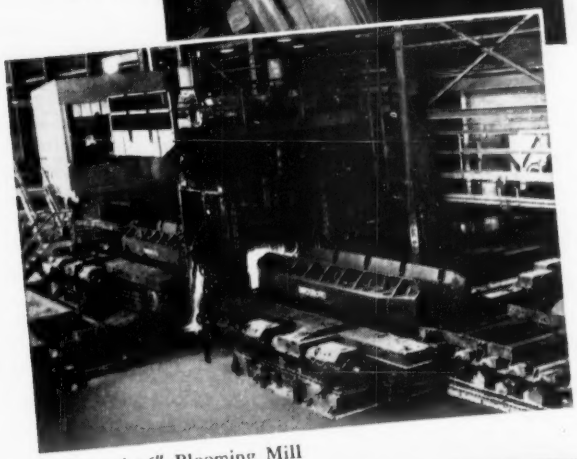
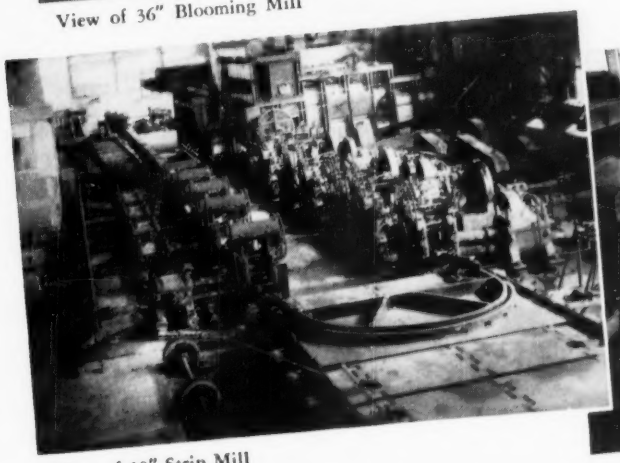
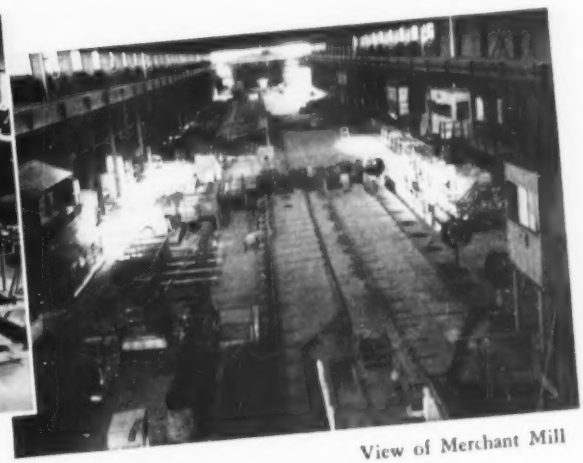


View of 36" Blooming Mill



View of 10" Strip Mill



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of six-months production runs manufacturing booster bodies out of brass and leaded steel in charts, diagrams and photographs.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 20 ON REPLY CARD

Chemical, Process Equipment

Colonial Iron Works Co.—An 8-page catalog illustrates and describes Colonial's line of standard and custom-made chemical and process equipment, and steel and alloy plate vessels. Highlighted are products engineered for such operations as agitation, distillation, evaporation and heat transfer. Other sections are devoted to standard and custom-made exchangers, standard and custom-made kettles etc.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 21 ON REPLY CARD

Chemical Processing

Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp. —Allegheny Ludlum has available the second edition of its booklet "Allegheny Metal in Chemical Processing." It is a revised 34-page book covering use of stainless steel in the manufacture of acids and other chemicals, in the general process industries and in the plastics industry. Corrosion resistance data, fabricating information and a stainless steel finder are also among the contents.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 22 ON REPLY CARD

Engineering Metrology

Sheffield Corp.—"A Review of Pneumatic Dimensional Gages," a paper presented at the Symposium on Engineering Metrology in London last October, is offered by Sheffield. The paper points out that measuring is man's greatest accomplishment and shows significance for the future of pneumatic dimensional gaging.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 23 ON REPLY CARD

Milling Machine

Duff Machine Co.—A brochure describing features of the Duff vertical milling machine with universal head is announced. 4 pages cover its operating capacity and specifications.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 24 ON REPLY CARD

Industrial Plastics

Joseph T. Ryerson & Son Inc.— Available from Ryerson is a 16-page illustrated bulletin on industrial plastics. It has data on the

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manufacture, grades, properties, fabrication and use of laminated plastic sheets, tubes, rods and special shapes. The company's plan for plastic product development and production is covered in detail and performance records of plastic bearings are included.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 25 ON REPLY CARD

Belt Repair Procedure

B. F. Goodrich Co.—An illustrated 32-page manual that tells how to splice and repair conveyor and elevator belting has been released by Goodrich. A series of 42 photographs is used to illustrate step-by-step a proper belt-splicing procedure. Materials, tools and conditions for splicing and repairing cord and fabric belts are listed, with special procedure for splicing rayon belts.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 26 ON REPLY CARD

Production Tool

Denison Engineering Co.—Volume 4, No. 3 of the "Denison Press" contains "The Answer to Faster Production," a review of basic construction and operating features of the Denison Multipress. It is intended to answer questions on the use of this production tool. An exploded view of the tool is given with working parts identified.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 27 ON REPLY CARD

Paint Selector

Wilbur & Williams Co.—Paint selection check chart is a quick-answer guide to maintenance painting problems. It enables paint contractors, building contractors, maintenance superintendents, architects to determine immediately paint products that have all the important performance requirements (including cost) for each paint.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 28 ON REPLY CARD

Peerless Production

Peerless Production Co.—Peerless offers a 28-page catalog on their specialized production equipment. Engineering excellence is the theme of the looseleaf catalog, in which 18 representative special machines are illustrated and detailed. Tooling and parts processed by each piece of specialized equipment are shown.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 29 ON REPLY CARD

Stainless Alloy Chart

Cooper Alloy Foundry Co.—A reference chart listing chemical analyses, physical properties and recommended applications for 28 different grades of cast stainless steel has been made available by Cooper. It indicates ACI, AISI, SAE, ASTM and general-type designations. Data as to heat treatment and remarks concerning weldability and machinability are included.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 30 ON REPLY CARD

Electric Furnace

Westinghouse Electric Corp.—An 8-page booklet on belt conveyor electric furnaces describes construction features of major components in detail, supplemented with illustrations. Furnace sizes including complete operating characteristics are tabulated for easy reference. A schematic drawing of the belt conveyor furnace is keyed to a table of dimensions of furnaces.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 31 ON REPLY CARD

Refractories, Heating Elements

Norton Co.—Norton offers two catalogs, one covering refractory products, the other heating elements for electric furnaces and kilns. 11 pages cover tubes, cores, muffles, and in general, the char-

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acteristics of their refractory products. 23 pages in a second catalog cover the Crystolon heating elements. Technical data, use, accessories, physical and electrical specs and a temperature conversion chart are given.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 32 ON REPLY CARD

Tool Catalog, Chart

Rockwell Mfg. Co.—Delta Power Tool Division has issued a condensed specifications folder briefly cataloging all principal Delta tools designed for the metalworking industry. It contains 14 photo-illustrated tool descriptions arranged so the opened folder may be used as a wall chart.

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Cleaning Service

Dowell Inc.—A 4-page brochure covers the Dowell chemical cleaning service for industrial equipment. The brochure describes how Dowell service works and recommends applications for this service.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 34 ON REPLY CARD

Standard, Special Taps

Reiff & Nestor Co.—A fully-illustrated 20-page catalog and price list provides complete data regarding size, threads, flutes and prices for standard taps as well as many special taps at standard prices. Several examples are given of tap users' specific production problems solved by R&N engineering.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 35 ON REPLY CARD

Abrasives Line

Abrasive Shot & Grit Co.—Catalog No. AB-53 carries a detailed description of the company's Blastrite line of abrasive materials, including chilled cast iron, Hi-alloy B cast iron and malleable shot and grit, as well as steel and cut steel wire shot. A consumption chart lists various types of abrasives and consumption in pounds per wheel hour.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 36 ON REPLY CARD

Station-Type Arresters

General Electric Co.—A 28-page bulletin on station-type arresters is announced. The booklet describes operation and design of a new Thyrite magne-valve arrester that combines magnetic and valve action. Application information and a guide for selection of arrester ratings are provided in the illustrated publication.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 37 ON REPLY CARD

Bearing Reference

Bearings Inc.—A comprehensive catalog, No. 54, condenses all information on items obtainable from this firm. Ball, roller and thrust bearings, pillow blocks and specialties are all given extensive coverage. Its 294 pages are designed as a reference, and detailed text is supported by charts, diagrams and illustrations.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 38 ON REPLY CARD

EDITORIAL REPRINTS:

Production Gaging

Management fights to slash out-of-tolerance production. In doing so, they are tying gages onto the production line. Robert F. Huber, STEEL Machine Tool Editor, discusses problems involved and methods being tried in production gaging.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 39 ON REPLY CARD

Modern Coatings

A recent STEEL article gives some practical tips on use of mastics in the maintenance of buildings and structure. Qualities of mastics which make them advantageous for use under most corrosive conditions are reviewed.

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RF Heating

A staff-written STEEL article gives the case history of a company which, with a wide variety of sleeves, adaptors, quick change chucks, etc. to harden, needed versatility. Induction heating was the answer to their problem. Here's why.

FOR MORE DATA CIRCLE NO. 41 ON REPLY CARD

Rare Earths

Valuable properties result from addition of small quantities of rare earths to conventional alloys. Two experts discuss research and plant tests now going on to expand the application of rare earths in many fields.

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STEEL

March 29, 1954

Market Outlook

FIRST faint signs of an upturn in steel production are evident.

Although steel ingot production continued to decline last week, there were more ups than downs in order placement. That's noteworthy, for the new orders placed now determine the ingot rate in the next month. The present ingot rate reflects orders booked several weeks ago, and then ordering was shrinking.

BRIGHT RAYS— Ordering is not brisk, but at least there are evidences of improvement. As sluggish as demand for steel plate has been thus far this year, some producers in looking back over the last two or three weeks detect a mild uptrend. It is so slight it is scarcely discernible in day-to-day trading, but it's apparent when viewed from a greater distance. Although other producers of plate do not detect any increase, they agree that buying is no worse and also that orders are increasingly of a "rush" character, indicating that consumer inventories are becoming worked down.

ENCOURAGING—Hot carbon bar business is still slow but not as slow as it was. Some producers of cold-drawn bars report a definite improvement over the last three weeks. This improvement, along with the importance of making immediate deliveries in order to get business, makes it necessary for one cold-drawer to operate a double shift.

WELCOME— Although the return of seasonal aspects to the steel business is accounting for some of the improvement in ordering, the seasonal improvement is nonetheless welcome. Among the products showing a seasonal upturn are merchant wire goods. One producer of these revealed a "minor landslide" in orders. As a result, this company is needing three weeks to make delivery. A month ago orders were being filled almost immediately. Sales of manufacturers' wire do not show the improvement of merchant wire. However, sales of manufacturers' wire in the Chicago area are running between 10 and 15 per cent over January and February, and April looks promising for further improvement.

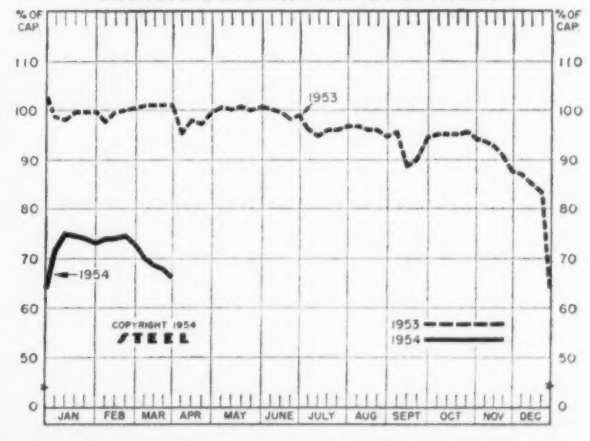
IMPROVED—The Chicago area also shows some strengthening in the gray iron foundry business, due largely to the upturn in farm implement production. As a result, March pig iron shipments will exceed those of each of the previous two months.

Instances of upturns in ordering are noted not only among large steel consumers but among smaller ones, too, for warehouses, suppliers to small users, are noticing some business pickup.

STRONGER— Another suggestion that the decline in steel demand is halting is the improved undertone in the scrap market. Although STEEL's price composite on steelmaking scrap did not rise in the week ended Mar. 25, it maintained the $24.33-a-ton level to which it rose the preceding week.

SLOWER— Continuing to reflect order placement of two to four weeks ago, the national steel ingot production rate declined in the week ended Mar. 28 to 66.5 per cent of capacity. That's a reduction of 1.5 points from the preceding week.

NATIONAL STEELWORKS OPERATIONS



DISTRICT INGOT RATES

(Percentage of capacity engaged)

	Week Ended Mar. 28	Change	Same Week 1953	Same Week 1952
Pittsburgh	71.5	— 1.5	106.5	102.5
Chicago	76	— 3	106	107
Mid-Atlantic	61	— 1	97	99
Youngstown	66	0	106	103
Wheeling	70	— 9.5	100.5	100
Cleveland	60	— 1*	103	99
Buffalo	63.5	0	106.5	104
Birmingham	78	— 5*	98.5	102
New England	57	— 3	85	75
Cincinnati	67	— 4.5	98	94
St. Louis	52	+ 8.5	82	86.5
Detroit	85	+ 1*	109	107.5
Western	76	+ 3	109	105
National Rate	66.5	— 1.5	101	102

INGOT PRODUCTION‡

	Week Ended Mar. 28	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
INDEX (1947-1949=100)	98.7†	100.4*	109.3	144.7
NET TONS (In thousands)	1,585†	1,613*	1,756	2,334

*Change from preceding week's revised rate. †Estimated. ‡Amer. Iron & Steel Institute. Weekly capacity (net tons): 2,384,549 in 1954; 2,254,459 in 1953; 2,077,040 in 1952.

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PRICE INDEXES AND COMPOSITES

AVERAGE PRICES OF STEEL (Bureau of Labor Statistics) Week Ended Mar. 23

Prices include mill base prices and typical extras and deductions. Units are 100 lb except where otherwise noted in parentheses. For complete description of the following products and extras and deductions applicable to them write to STEEL.

Rails, standard, No. 1	$4.400	Bars, H.R., alloy	$8.575	Strip, C.R., stainless, 430 (lb)	$0.415	Tin plate, hot-dipped, 1.25 lb	$8.433
Rails, light, 40 lb	5.767	Bars, H.R., stainless, 303 (lb)	0.418	Strip, H.R., carbon	4.975	Tin plate, electrolytic, 0.25 lb	7.133
Tie Plates	5.125	Bars, H.R., carbon	4.873	Pipe, black, buttweld (100 ft)	14.454	Black plate, can making quality	6.233
Axles, railway	7.250	Bars, reinforcing	4.900	Pipe, galv., buttweld (100 ft)	17.731	Wire, drawn, carbon	7.713
Wheels, freight car, 33 in. (per wheel)	47.000	Bars, C.F., carbon	7.960	Pipe, line (100 ft)	141.960	Wire, drawn, stainless, 430 (lb)	0.545
Plates, carbon	4.550	Bars, C.F., alloy	11.000	Casing, oil well, carbon (100 ft)	149.516	Bale ties (bundle)	5.658
Structural Shapes	4.367	Bars, C.F., stainless, 302 (lb)	0.433	Casing, oil well, alloy (100 ft)	214.113	Nails, wire, 8d common	7.488
Bars, tool steel, carbon (lb)	0.415	Sheets, H.R., carbon	4.765	Tubes, boiler (100 ft)	‡	Wire, barbed (80-rod spool)	6.799
Bars, tool steel, alloy, oil hardening die (lb)	0.505	Sheets, C.R., carbon	5.704	Tubing, mechanical, carbon (100 ft)	‡	Woven wire fence (20-rod roll)	16.065
Bars, tool steel, H.R., alloy, high speed W 6.75, Cr 4.5, V 2.1, Mo 5.5, C 0.60 (lb)	1.075	Sheets, galvanized	6.945	Tubing, mechanical, stainless, 304 (100 ft)	161.193	‡ Not available.	
Bars, tool steel, H.R., alloy, high speed W 18, Cr 4, V 1 (lb)	1.550	Sheets, C.R., stainless, 302 (lb)	0.548				
		Sheets, electrical	9.000				
		Strip, C.R., carbon	7.243				

FINISHED STEEL PRICE INDEX (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

	Mar. 23 1954	Mar. 16 1954	Month Ago	Feb. Average
(1947-1949=100)	140.9	140.9	141.0	140.9

STEEL's FINISHED STEEL PRICE INDEX*

	Mar. 25 1954	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yrs. Ago
Index (1935-39 av.=100)	189.74	189.74	189.74	181.31	154.65
Index in cents per lb	5.140	5.140	5.140	4.913	4.195

STEEL's ARITHMETICAL PRICE COMPOSITES

	Mar. 25 1954	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yrs. Ago
Finished Steel, NT*	$113.73	$113.73	$113.91	$110.98	$97.23
No. 2 Fdry Pig Iron, GT	56.54	56.54	56.54	55.04	46.63
Basic Pig Iron, GT	56.04	56.04	56.04	54.66	46.22
Malleable Pig Iron, GT	57.27	57.27	57.27	55.77	47.34
Steelmaking Scrap, GT	24.33	24.33	25.50	44.17	33.66

*For explanation of weighted index see STEEL, Sept. 19, 1949, p. 54; of arithmetical price composite, STEEL, Sept. 1, 1952, p. 130.

COMPARISON OF PRICES

Comparative prices by districts, in cents per pound except as otherwise noted. Delivered prices based on nearest production point.

FINISHED STEEL	Mar. 25 1954	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yrs. Ago
Bars, H.R., Pittsburgh	4.15	4.15	4.15	3.95	3.45
Bars, H.R., Chicago	4.15	4.15	4.15	3.95	3.35
Bars, H.R., del. Philadelphia	5.302	5.302	5.302	4.502	3.816
Bars, C.F., Pittsburgh	5.20	5.20	5.20	4.925	3.95
Shapes, Std., Pittsburgh	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.85	3.275
Shapes, Std., Chicago	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.85	3.25
Shapes, del., Philadelphia	4.38	4.38	4.38	4.13	3.492
Plates, Pittsburgh	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.90	3.50
Plates, Chicago	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.90	3.40
Plates, Coatesville, Pa.	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.35	3.75
Plates, Sparrows Point, Md.	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.90	3.45
Plates, Claymont, Del.	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.35	3.95
Sheets, H.R., Pittsburgh	3.925	3.925	3.925	3.775	3.275
Sheets, H.R., Chicago	3.925	3.925	3.925	3.775	3.25
Sheets, C.R., Pittsburgh	4.775	4.775	4.775	4.575	4.00
Sheets, C.R., Chicago	4.775	4.775	4.775	4.575	4.00
Sheets, C.R., Detroit	4.975	4.975	4.975	4.775	4.20
Sheets, Galv., Pittsburgh	5.275	5.275	5.275	5.075	4.40
Strip, H.R., Pitts.	4.425	4.425	4.425	3.975-4.225	3.275
Strip, H.R., Chicago	3.925	3.925	3.925	3.725	3.25
Strip, C.R., Pittsburgh	5.45	5.45	5.45	5.10-5.80	4.375
Strip, C.R., Chicago	5.70	5.70	5.70	5.35	4.00
Strip, C.R., Detroit	5.45-6.05	5.45-6.05	5.45-6.05	5.30-6.05	4.45
Wire, Basic, Pitts.	5.525	5.525	5.525	5.225-5.475	4.325
Nails, Wire, Pittsburgh	6.55	6.55	6.55	6.35	5.775
Tin plate (1.50 lb), box, Pitts.	$8.95	$8.95	$8.95	$8.95	$7.75
SEMIFINISHED STEEL					
Billets, forging, Pitts. (NT)	$75.50	$75.50	$75.50	$70.50	$61.00
Wire rods, $\frac{7}{32}$-$\frac{9}{16}$" Pitts.	4.525	4.525	4.525	4.425	3.775

PIG IRON, Gross Ton	Mar. 25 1954	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yrs. Ago
Bessemer, Pitts.	$57.00	$57.00	$57.00	$55.50	$47.00
Basic, Valley	56.00	56.00	56.00	54.50	46.00
Basic, del. Phila.	59.66	59.66	59.66	59.25	50.30
No. 2 Fdry, Pitts.	56.50	56.50	56.50	55.00	46.50
No. 2 Fdry, Chicago	56.50	56.50	56.50	55.00	46.25
No. 2 Fdry, Valley	56.50	56.50	56.50	55.00	46.50
No. 2 Fdry, del. Phila.	60.16	60.16	60.16	59.75	50.80
No. 2 Fdry, Birm.	52.88	52.88	52.88	51.38	43.38
No. 2 Fdry (Birm.) del. Cin.	60.43	60.43	60.43	58.93	49.43
Malleable, Valley	56.50	56.50	56.50	55.00	46.50
Malleable, Chicago	56.50	56.50	56.50	55.00	46.50
Ferromanganese, Duquesne.	200.00†	200.00†	200.00†	228.00*	175.00*

*75-82% Mn, gross ton, Etna, Pa. †74-76% Mn, net ton.

SCRAP, Gross Ton (Including broker's commission)					
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Pitts.	$25.50	$25.50	$28.50	$44.00	$36.00
No. 1 Heavy Melt, E. Pa.	22.00	22.00	25.00	46.00	31.50
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Chicago	25.50	25.50	25.00	42.50	33.50
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Valley	23.50	23.50	24.50	44.25	37.25
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Cleve.	20.50	20.50	21.50	44.25	35.25
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Buffalo	24.00	24.00	25.00	47.00	35.25
Rails, Rerolling, Chicago	34.50	36.50	36.50	56.00	42.50
No. 1 Cast, Chicago	33.00	33.00	29.50	43.00	37.00
COKE, Net Ton					
Beehive, Furn, Connlsvl.	$14.75	$14.75	$14.75	$14.75	$14.50
Beehive, Fdry, Connlsvl.	16.75	16.75	16.75	17.00	17.00
Oven Fdry, Chicago	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	20.40

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PRIMARY METALS AND ALLOYS

Aluminum: 99+%, ingots 21.50, pigs 20.00, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. shipping point. Freight allowed on 500 lb or more.

Aluminum Alloy: No. 13, 12% Si, 23.30; No. 43, 5% Si, 23.10; No. 142, 4% Cu, 24.40; No. 195, 4.5% Cu, 0.8% Si, 23.70; No. 214, 3.8% Mg, 24.40; No. 356, 7% Si, 0.3% Mg, 23.20.

Antimony: R.M.M. brand, 99.5% 28.50, Lone Star brand, 29.00, f.o.b. Laredo, Texas, in bulk. Foreign brands, 99.5%, 25.50-26.00 New York, duty paid, 10,000 lb or more.

Beryllium: 97%, lump or beads, $71.50 per lb f.o.b. Cleveland or Reading, Pa.

Beryllium Aluminum: 5% Be, $72.75 per lb of contained Be, f.o.b. Reading, Pa.

Beryllium Copper: 3.75-4.25% Be, $40.00 per lb of contained Be, with balance as Cu at market price on shipment date, f.o.b. Reading, Pa. or Elmore, O.

Bismuth: $2.25 per lb, ton lots.

Cadmium: Sticks and bars, $1.70 per lb del.

Cobalt: 97-99%, $2.60 per lb for 550 lb keg, $2.62 per lb for 100 lb case; $2.67 per lb under 100 lb.

Columbium: Powder, $75.00 per lb, nom.

Copper: Electrolytic 29.75-30.00 del. Conn. Valley, 29.875-30.125 del. Midwest; Lake 30.00 del.; Fire refined 29.75 del.

Germanium: 99.9%, $295 per lb nom.

Gold: U. S. Treasury, $35 per oz.

Indium: 99.9%, $2.25 per troy oz.

Iridium: $145-$150 per troy oz.

Lead: Common 12.80, chemical 12.90, corroding 12.90, St. Louis, New York basis, add 0.20.

Lithium: 98%, $11-$14 per lb, depending on quantity.

Magnesium: 99.8%, selfpalletizing pig 27.00; notched ingot 27.75, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. Freeport, Tex. For Port Newark, N. J., and Madison, Ill., add 1.20 for pig and 1.25 for ingot. Sticks, 1.3 in. diameter, 46.00, 100 to 4999 lb, f.o.b. Madison, Ill.

Magnesium Alloys: AZ91C and alloys C, H, G and R 32.50; alloy M 34.50, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. Freeport, Tex., or Madison, Ill. Add 1.20 for Port Newark, N. J.

Mercury: Open market, spot, New York, $202-$204 per 76-lb flask.

Molybdenum: Powder 99% hydrogen reduced $3.40 per lb; pressed ingot $4.06 per lb; sintered ingot $5.53 per lb.

Nickel: Electrolytic cathodes, sheets (4 x 4 in. and larger), unpacked 60.00; 25-lb pigs 62.65; "XX" nickel shot 63.65; "F" nickel shot or

DAILY NONFERROUS PRICE RECORD

	Price Mar. 25	Change	Previous Price	Feb. Avg.	Jan. Avg.	Mar. 1953 Avg.
Copper	29.75-30.00	Mar. 3	29.50-30.00	29.750	29.750	30.510
Lead	12.80	Mar. 10	12.55	12.610	13.060	13.300
Zinc	9.75	Mar. 10	9.25	9.369	9.760	11.000
Tin	94.50	Mar. 24	95.50 nom.	85.181	85.100	121.500
Nickel	60.00	Jan. 14	56.50	60.000	60.000	60.000
Aluminum	21.50	July 15	20.50	21.500	21.500	20.500
Magnesium	27.00	Mar. 9	24.50	27.000	27.000	24.500

Quotations in cents per pound based on: Copper, del. Conn. Valley; Lead, common grade, del. St. Louis; Zinc, prime western, E. St. Louis; Tin, Straits, del. New York; Nickel, electrolytic cathodes, 99.9%, base size at refinery unpacked; Aluminum, primary ingots, 99 + %, del.; Magnesium 99.8%, Freeport, Tex.

ingots for addition to cast iron, 60.00; prices f.o.b. Port Colborne, Ont., including import duty. New York basis, add 0.92.

Osmium: $140-$150 per troy oz nom.

Palladium: $21 per troy oz.

Platinum: $84-$87 per troy oz from refineries.

Radium: $16-$21.50 per mg radium content, depending on quantity.

Rhodium: $125 per troy oz.

Ruthenium: $70-$75 per troy oz.

Selenium: 99.5%, $5-$6 per lb.

Sodium: 16.50, carlots; 17.00 l.c.l.

Tantalum: Sheet, rod $39.00 per lb; powder $33.50 per lb.

Tellurium: $1.75 per lb.

Thallium: $12.50 per lb.

Tin: Straits, New York, spot, 94.50; prompt, 92.50 nom, as of Mar. 25.

Titanium: Sponge, 99.3+%, $5 per lb.

Tungsten: Powder, 98.8%, carbon reduced, 1000 lb lots $4.95 per lb f.o.b. shipping point; less than 1000 lb $5.10; 99+% hydrogen reduced, $5.85. Treated ingots $7.95.

Zinc: Prime Western 9.75, brass special 10.00, intermediate 10.25, E. St. Louis, freight allowed over 0.50 per pound. High grade 11.10, special high grade 11.25, die casting alloy ingot 13.75, del.

Zirconium: Sponge $10 per lb; powder electronics grade $15, flash grade $11.50. (Note: Chromium, manganese and silicon metals are listed in ferroalloy section.)

SECONDARY METALS AND ALLOYS

Aluminum Ingot: Piston Alloys 19.50-20.50; No. 12 foundry alloy (No. 2 grade) 19.00-19.50, 5% silicon alloy, 0.60 Cu max., 22.00-22.50; 13 alloy, 0.60 Cu max., 22.00-22.50; 195 alloy 21.00-21.50; 108 alloy 19.50-20.00 steel deoxidizing grades, notch bars, granulated or shot: Grade 1, 20.00-21.00; grade 2, 19.00-19.50; grade 3, 18.00-18.50; grade 4, 16.50-17.00.

Brass Ingot: Red brass, No. 115, 23.50; tin bronze No. 225, 34.25, No. 245, 28.50; high-leaded tin bronze, No. 305, 27.75; No. 1 yellow, No. 405, 19.75; manganese bronze No. 421, 24.25.

Magnesium Alloy Ingot: AZ63A, 31.50; AZ91B, 29.00; AZ91C, 31.50; AZ92A, 31.50.

NONFERROUS MILL PRODUCTS

COPPER WIRE

Bare, soft, f.o.b. eastern mills, 100,000 lb lots, 35.36; 30,000 lb lots, 35.48; l.c.l. 35.98. Weatherproof, 100,000 lb, 36.28; 30,000 lb, 36.53; l.c. 37.03. Magnet wire del., 15,000 lb or more 41.83; l.c.l., 42.58.

LEAD

(Prices to jobbers f.o.b. Buffalo, Cleveland, Pittsburgh.) Sheets, full rolls, 140 sq ft or more $18.00 per cwt; pipe, full coils $18.00 per cwt; traps and bends, list prices plus 30%.

TITANIUM

(Prices per lb, 100,000 lb and over, f.o.b. mill.) Sheets, $15; sheared mill plate, $12; strip, $15; wire, $10; forging billets, $6; hot-rolled and forged bars, $6.

ZINC

Sheets 23.00, f.o.b. mill, 36,000 lb and over. Ribbon zinc in coils, 19.50-20.50, f.o.b. mill, 36,000 lb and over. Plates 19.00-22.25.

ZIRCONIUM

Plate $27; H.R. strip $28; C.R. strip $85; forged or H.R. bars $27; wire, 0.015 in., 1 cent per linear foot.

NICKEL, MONEL, INCONEL

	"A" Nickel	Monel	Inconel
Sheet, C.R.	86.5	67.5	92.5
Strip, C.R.	92.5	70.5	98.5
Plate, H.R.	84.5	66.5	90.5
Rod, Shapes	82.5	65.5	88.5
Seamless Tubes	115.5	100.5	137.5
Shot, Blocks	....	60.0	....

ALUMINUM

(30,000 lb base; freight allowed over 499 lb) Sheets and Circles: 2S and 3S mill finish c.l.

Thickness Range, Inches	Widths or Diameters, In., Inc.	Flat Sheet*	Coiled Sheet	Coiled Sheet Circle†
0.249-0.136	12-49	33.9	...	...
0.135-0.096	12-48	34.4	...	...
0.095-0.077	12-48	35.1	32.7	37.5
0.076-0.061	12-48	35.7	32.9	37.7
0.060-0.048	12-48	36.1	33.2	38.1
0.047-0.038	12-48	36.6	33.6	38.4
0.037-0.030	12-48	37.0	34.0	39.1
0.029-0.024	12-48	37.6	34.3	39.6
0.023-0.019	12-36	38.3	35.1	40.4
0.018-0.017	12-36	39.1	35.7	41.3
0.016-0.015	12-36	40.0	36.5	42.5
0.014	12-24	41.0	37.5	43.8
0.013-0.012	12-24	42.1	38.2	44.8
0.011	12-24	43.1	39.4	46.4
0.010-0.0095	12-24	44.3	40.5	48.0
0.009-0.0085	12-24	45.6	41.9	50.0
0.008-0.0075	12-24	47.1	43.1	51.8
0.007	12-18	48.6	44.6	54.1
0.006	12-18	50.2	46.0	59.1

* 72-180 in. lengths. † 26 in. max. dia.

ALUMINUM

Plates and Circles: Thickness 0.250-3.0 in., 24-60 in. width or dia., 72-240 in. lengths.

Alloy	Plate Base	Circle Base
2S-F, 3S-F	32.4	36.3
50S-F	33.5	37.4
4S-F	34.5	39.1
52S-F	36.2	40.9
61S-T6	37.4	41.5
24S-T4*	39.3	45.4
75S-T6*	47.1	53.7

* 24-48 in. widths or dia., 72-180 in. lengths.

ALUMINUM

Screw Machine Stock: 5000 lb and over.

Dia. (in.) or across flats	——Round—— 11S-T3	17S-T4	—Hexagonal— 11S-T3	17S-T4
Drawn				
0.125	59.6	57.9	...	...
0.156-0.172	50.6	48.9	...	...
0.188	50.6	48.9	...	62.4
0.219-0.234	47.9	46.2	...	...
0.250-0.281	47.9	46.2	...	59.5
0.313	47.9	46.2	...	56.8
Cold-finished				
0.375-0.531	46.6	44.9	56.2	53.4
0.563-0.688	46.6	44.9	53.4	50.2
0.750-1.000	45.5	43.8	48.9	47.3
1.063	45.5	43.8	...	45.7
1.125-1.500	43.8	42.1	47.3	45.7
Rolled				
1.563	42.7	41.0	...	...
1.625-2.000	42.1	40.4	...	44.1
2.125-2.500	41.1	39.4	...	...
2.750-3.375	39.9	38.2	...	...

ALUMINUM

Forging Stock: Round, Class 1, 43.8-54.4, in specific lengths 36-144 in., diameters 0.375-8 in.; rectangles and squares, Class 1, 50.2-38.4 in random lengths 0.375-4.0 in. thick, widths 0.750-10.0 in.

Pipe: A.S.A. Schedule 40, alloy 63S-T6, 20 ft length, plain ends, 90,000 lb base, per 100 ft.

Nom. pipe size, in.		Nom. pipe size, in.	
¾	$15.05	2	$ 46.30
1	23.65	4	127.70
1¼	32.00	6	228.50
1½	38.25	8	343.80

MAGNESIUM

Sheet: AZ31, commercial grade, 0.032-in. 94.00, 0.064-in. 73.00, 0.125-in. 60.00, 30,000 lb and over, f.o.b. mill.

Plate: Hot-rolled AZ31, 53.00, 20,000 lb or more 0.250-in. and over, widths to 48 in., lengths to 144 in.; raised pattern floor plate, 59.00, 20,000 lb or more, ¼-in. thick, widths 24-72 in., lengths 60-192 in.

Extrusion Stock: AZ31, Rectangles, ¼ x 2 in. 69.20, 1 x 4 in. 63.00. Rod, 1 in. 66.00, 2 in. 62.50. Tubing, 1 in. OD x 0.065-in. 87.00. Angles, 1 x 1 x ⅛-in. 72.90, 2 x 2 x ¼-in. 67.00. Channels, 5 in. 67.80. I-Beams, 5 in. 66.20.

BRASS MILL PRICES

	MILL PRODUCTS a				SCRAP ALLOWANCES f		
	Sheet, Strip, Plate	Rod	Wire	Seamless Tube	Clean Heavy	Rod Ends	Clean Turnings
Copper	48.38b	45.98c	....	48.44	26.000	26.000	25.250
Yellow Brass	41.72	33.50d	42.26	44.63	19.750	19.500	18.000
Red Brass, 85%	45.44	45.38	45.98	48.25	23.000	22.750	22.250
Low Brass, 80%	44.47	44.41	45.01	47.28	22.125	21.875	21.375
Naval Brass	45.76	40.07	52.80	48.92	18.250	18.000	17.500
Commercial Bronze, 90%	46.95	46.89	47.49	49.51	23.875	23.625	23.125
Nickel Silver, 10%	55.36	59.43g	57.69	....	23.625	23.375	11.813
Phosphor Bronze, A, 5%	66.58	67.08	67.08	68.23	26.125	25.875	24.875
Silicon Bronze	52.71	51.90	52.75	70.11e	25.125	24.875	24.125
Manganese Bronze	49.48	43.62	54.06	....	18.250	18.000	17.500
Muntz Metal	43.96	39.77	....	....	18.625	18.375	17.875

a. Cents per lb, f.o.b. mill; freight allowed on 500 lb or more. b. Hot-rolled. c. Cold-drawn. d. Free cutting. e. 3% silicon. f. Prices in cents per lb for less than 20,000 pounds, f.o.b. shipping point. On lots over 20,000 lb at one time, of any or all kinds of scrap, add 1 cent per lb. g. Leaded.

NONFERROUS SCRAP

DEALERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, New York, in ton lots)

Aluminum: 28 clippings 11.50; low copper clippings 11.50; mixed clippings 9.50-10.50; old sheet 8.50-9.50; borings and turnings 6.00; pistons and struts 6.00; crankcases 8.50-9.50; industrial castings 8.50-9.50.

Copper and Brass: Heavy copper and wire, No. 1 23.50-24.00; No. 2 copper 21.50-22.00; light copper 19.50-20.00; No. 1 composition red brass 17.00-17.50; No. 1 composition turnings 16.50-17.00; mixed brass turnings 11.00-11.50; new brass clippings 16.50-17.00; No. 1 brass rod turnings 12.00-12.50; light brass 10.50-11.00; heavy yellow brass 12.50-13.00; new brass rod ends 14.50-15.00; auto radiators, unsweated, 13.00-13.50; cocks and faucets 14.50-15.00; brass pipe 16.00-16.50.

Lead: Heavy 9.50-10.00; battery plate 5.00-5.50; linotype and stereotype 12.25; electrotype 10.50; mixed babbitt 11.50-12.00.

Magnesium: Clippings 18.50-19.50; clean castings 17.50-18.50; iron castings, not over 10% removable Fe, 16.50-17.50.

Monel: Clippings 24.00-26.00; old sheet 22.00-24.00; turnings 16.00-18.00; rods 23.00-25.00.

Nickel: Sheets and clips 60.00-65.00; rolled anodes 60.00-65.00; turnings 40.00; rod ends 60.00-65.00.

Tin: No. 1 pewter 40.00-45.00; block tin pipe 65.00-67.00; No. 1 babbitt 37.00-38.00.

Zinc: Old zinc, 3.75; new die cast scrap, 3.50; old die cast scrap, 3.00.

REFINERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered refinery)

Aluminum: 2S, 3S clippings 14.50-15.00; 51S, 52S clippings 14.50-15.00; 14S, 17S, 24S clippings 13.00-14.00; mixed clippings 13.00-14.00; old sheet 11.50-12.00; old cast 11.50-12.00; clean old cable, free of steel 14.50-15.00; borings and turnings 12.00-12.50

Beryllium Copper: Heavy scrap, 0.020-in. and heavier, not less than 1.5% Be, 42.00; light scrap 37.00.

Copper, Brass: No. 1 copper 25.50-26.00; No. 2 copper 24.00-24.50; light copper 22.50-23.00; refinery brass (60% copper) per dry copper content 21.00-21.50; auto radiators, 15.00, nominal.

INGOTMAKERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered)

Copper, Brass: No. 1 copper 26.00; No. 2 copper 24.50; light copper 23.00; No. 1 composition borings 18.50; No. 1 composition solids 19.00; heavy yellow brass solids 14.50; yellow brass turnings 13.50; radiators 15.00.

PLATING MATERIALS

(F.o.b. shipping points, freight allowed on quantities)

ANODES

Cadmium: Special or patented shapes $1.75 per lb.

Copper: Flat-rolled 45.04, oval 44.54, 2000-5000 lb; electrodeposited 39.78, cast 42.04, 5000-10,000 lb lots.

Nickel: Depolarized, less than 500 lb 92.00; 500-4999 lb 88.00; over 5000 lb 86.00.

Tin: Bar or slab, less than 200 lb $1.105; 200-499 lb $1.09; 500-999 lb $1.085; 1000 lb or more $1.08.

Zinc: Bar 18.50, bar or flat top 17.50, ton lots.

CHEMICALS

Cadmium Oxide: $2.15 per lb, in 100 lb drums.

Chromic Acid: Less than 10,000 lb 28.50; over 10,000 lb 27.50.

Copper Cyanide: Under 1000 lb 63.90, 1000 lb and over 61.90.

Copper Sulphate: 100-5000 lb 11.35; 5000-12,000 lb 11.10; 12,000-24,000 lb 10.85; 24,000-36,000 lb 10.60; 36,000 lb and over 10.35.

Nickel Chloride: 100 lb 45.00; 200 lb 43.00; 300 lb 42.00; 400-4900 lb 40.00; 5000-9900 lb 38.00; 5,000-35,900 lb

Nickel Sulphate: 100 lb 37.00; 200 lb 35.00; 300 lb 34.00; 400-4900 lb 32.00; 5000-35,000 lb 30.00; 36,000 lb and over 29.00.

Silver Cyanide: Cents per ounce, 16 oz 80.625; 100 oz 78.50; 25,000 oz and over 77.325.

Sodium Cyanide: Egg, under 1000 lb 19.80, 1000-19,900 lb 18.80, 20,000 lb and over 17.80; granular, add 1-cent premium to above.

Sodium Stannate: Less than 100 lb 70.6; 100-600 lb 56.3; 700-1900 lb 53.9; 2000-9900 lb 52.1; 10,000 lb or more 51.0.

Stannous Chloride (Anhydrous): Less than 50 lb $1.564; 50 lb $1.224; 100-300 lb $1.074; 400-900 lb $1.049; 100-1900 lb $1.025; 2000-4900 lb 98.8; 5000-19,000 lb 92.7; 20,000 lb and over 88.6

Stannous Sulphate: Less than 50 lb $1.264; 50 lb 96.4; 100-1900 lb 94.4; 2000 lb and over 92.4.

Zinc Cyanide: Under 1000 lb 54.30, 1000 lb and over 52.30.

Nonferrous Metals

Sales of nonferrous metals turn upward, giving a new ring of authority to prices and lengthening delivery times in some instances

THERE'S a new ring of authority in metal prices as the long-awaited sales upturn takes hold.

It's not limited to lead and zinc alone. They rounded bottom early this month (STEEL, Mar. 15, p. 166) and have managed to stick at fractionally higher prices. With few exceptions, market men are noting spring's arrival on their order books as well as on the calendar.

Gaining Momentum—March totals will show aluminum business back on an even keel after tipping badly from October into January, say industry representatives. In some sectors a slight lengthening in delivery times is reported.

Today, deliveries shape up about like this: Sheet 4-6 weeks; foil 3-4 weeks; wire, rod and bar 3-6 weeks; tubing 3-4 weeks; extrusions 5-7 weeks; forgings 8-10 weeks.

Status Quo—Copper sales in March promise to top the previous two months even though procrastination in Chile over selling its copper and allowing production cutbacks casts a dark cloud over future buying. Wire and cable sales have turned upward surprisingly well. Foundry and brass mill activity is still slow, but even here scattered signs of revival appear.

Most brass mills are on seven-hour day or similarly shortened work week. New orders booked by brass mills, wire mills and foundries in February were only half the tonnage recorded a year ago, though up slightly from January. Shipments totaled 93,342 tons copper content, off about 7500 tons from January and nearly 25 per cent under February, 1953.

Washington Assist—Riding well-placed and well-spread rumors of pending government stockpiling, lead and zinc firmed decidedly as sales increased at new levels. Buyers of both showed more interest in forward buying; most lead sales were placed on a flat-price basis and talk of a further price increase can't be easily discounted.

Tin, buoyed by the combination of a New York dock standstill and likelihood of an international price and production-fixing agreement going into effect this spring, maintained its highest crest in nearly a year. Bolivian diplomats are seeking to sell RFC up to 20,000 tons of tin over the next year, but that agency, with only three months of official existence left, isn't having any.

Wire and Cable Turn Up

Fast-shifting wire and cable business is witnessing a significant upturn. Price increase of 6 per cent on building wire was put in effect last week by leading sellers. Scattered raises of up to 20 per cent were set by some firms several weeks ago but melted under competitive pressure.

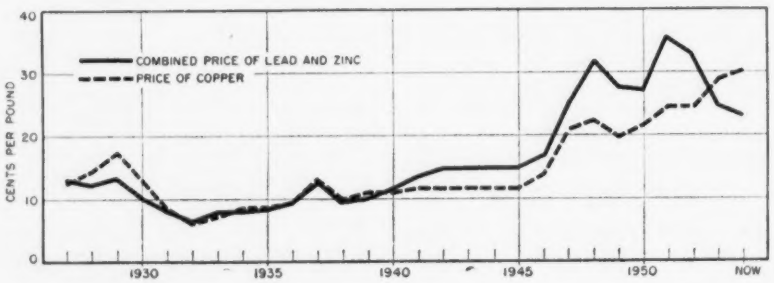
Copper wire and cable prices have tumbled about 40 per cent in the last year, but base prices haven't been changed since July. Aluminum products haven't suffered such discount competition, though some adjustments have been made in wire and cable schedules. Refined copper price doesn't mean so much in setting building wire prices, but magnet wire, bare and weatherproof wire are affected.

Today wire is again active and many people are buying ahead, according to sales officials. Orders are not only for current needs but for some stock replenishment. Upturn in building wire is not seasonal as spring building has not started to blossom yet. Sales of power cable for industrial plants and military installations are reported strong. Because profit margins have been whittled by the sharp competition, further price advances are believed possible if the business pickup continues.

New Machine Stock

Deep-drawn aluminum machine stock is now being marketed by Harvey Aluminum, Torrance, Calif. It's said to be "in a highly competitive position with any other aluminum machining stock." Deep drawing the extruded aluminum rod and bar under high pressure from the outside to the core develops recrystallized microstructure with uniform grain size and composition, hardness and tolerances, says Harvey.

The Harvey aluminum sections are stretcher straightened to relieve internal stresses set up during heat treating and quenching. Hexagonal material has no large grain size at points of the hex, and threading is accomplished without chattering or tearing, says G. A. Moudry, chief metallurgist.



Ever the Twain Shall Meet?

THE WELL-ESTABLISHED past relationship between the combined lead-zinc price and the price of copper will recur eventually, believes Simon D. Strauss, vice president, American Smelting & Refining Co., New York.

Historically, the combined price of lead and zinc approximately equals the price of copper. The chart, comparing these two price lines over the last 27 years, shows that copper today is a third higher than the sum of lead and zinc.

"It is difficult to explain this drastically revised relationship on the basis of the normal factors of supply and demand," Mr. Strauss says. "Consumption of all three metals in the United States is currently below the rate of last year, but the extent of the drop is approximately the same for all three," he points out.

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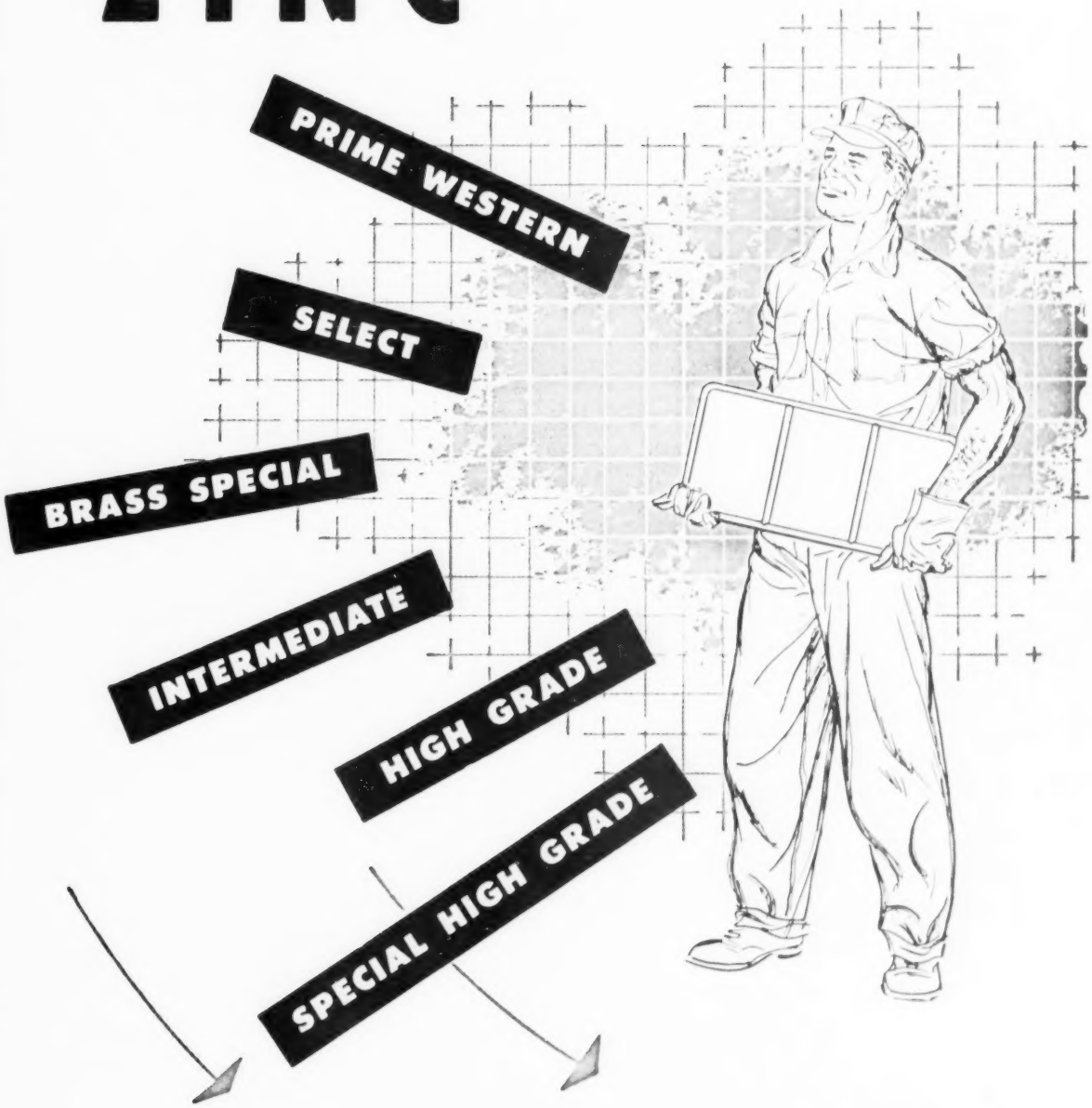

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STEEL PRICES

Mill prices as reported to STEEL, cents per pound except as otherwise noted. Changes shown in italics.
Code numbers following mill points indicate producing company; key on page 143. Key to footnotes, page 145

SEMIFINISHED

INGOTS, Carbon Forging (NT)
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....$86.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....59.00

INGOTS, Alloy (NT)
Detroit R7 ....$63.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....88.00
Midland,Pa. C18 ....62.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....62.00

BILLETS, BLOOMS & SLABS
Carbon Rerolling (NT)
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....$62.00
Bessemer,Pa. U5 ....62.00
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....62.00
Ensley,Ala. T2 ....62.00
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....62.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....70.00
Gary,Ind. U5 ....62.00
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....62.00
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....62.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....62.00
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....62.00
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....62.00

Carbon, Forging (NT)
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....$75.50
Bessemer,Pa. U5 ....75.50
Buffalo R2 ....75.50
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....75.50
Cleveland R2 ....75.50
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ....82.50
Detroit R7 ....78.50
Ensley,Ala. T2 ....75.50
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....75.50
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....83.50
Gary,Ind. U5 ....75.50
Geneva,Utah C11 ....75.50
Houston S5 ....83.50
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....75.50
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....75.50
LosAngeles B3 ....85.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....75.50
Seattle B3 ....89.00
So.Chicago R2,U5,W14 ....75.50
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....75.50
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....85.00

Alloy, Forging (NT)
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....$82.00
Buffalo R2 ....82.00
Canton,O. R2, T7 ....82.00
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ....89.00
Detroit R7 ....84.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....101.00
Gary,Ind. U5 ....82.00
Houston S5 ....90.00
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....82.00
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....82.00
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....82.00
LosAngeles B3 ....102.00
Massillon,O. R2 ....82.00
Midland,Pa. C18 ....82.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....82.00
So.Chicago R2,U5,W14 ....82.00
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....82.00
Struthers,O. Y1 ....82.00
Warren,O. C17 ....82.00

ROUNDS, SEAMLESS TUBE (NT)
Buffalo R2 ....$92.50
Canton,O. R2 ....92.50
Cleveland R2 ....92.50
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....113.50
Gary,Ind. U5 ....92.50
Massillon, O. R2 ....92.50
So.Chicago,Ill. R2 ....92.50
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....92.50

SHEET BAR (NT)
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....$93.18

SKELP
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....3.85
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....3.75
Warren,O. R2 ....3.75
Youngstown R2, U5 ....3.75

WIRE RODS
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ..4.525
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.525
Alton,Ill. L1 ....4.70
Buffalo W12 ....4.525
Cleveland A7 ....4.525
Donora,Pa. A7 ....4.525
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.525
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.325
Houston S5 ....4.925
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.525
Joliet,Ill. A7 ....4.525
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....4.865
LosAngeles B3 ....5.325
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.775
Monessen,Pa. P7 ....4.525
No.Tonawanda,N.Y.B11 4.525
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....5.175
Portsmouth P12 ....4.525
Roebling,N.J. R5 ....4.625
So.Chicago,Ill. R2 ....4.525
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..4.625
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ....4.525
Struthers,O. Y1 ....4.525
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....5.325
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....4.825

STRUCTURALS

Carbon Steel Stand. Shapes
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ....4.10
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.10
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....4.10
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....4.15
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.10
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.10
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....4.75
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.10
Geneva,Utah C11 ....4.10
Houston S5 ....4.50
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....4.10
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.15
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....4.70
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....4.15
LosAngeles B3 ....4.80
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.55
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.10
Niles,Calif. P1 ....4.80
Phoenixville,Pa. P4 ....4.15
Seattle B3 ....4.85
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14 4.10
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....4.75
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....4.80
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.10

Wide Flange
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....4.15
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.10
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.10
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....4.15
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.10
Phoenixville,Pa. P4 ....4.95
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....4.10

Alloy Stand. Shapes
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....5.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.40
Gary,Ind. U5 ....5.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....5.00
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....5.00

H.S., L.A. Stand. Shapes
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....6.175
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....6.175
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.20
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....6.175
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.175
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.825
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.175
Geneva,Utah C11 ....6.175
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....6.175
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....6.675
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....6.20
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....6.20
LosAngeles B3 ....6.85
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....6.175
Seattle B3 ....6.90
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14 6.175
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....6.80
Struthers,O. Y1 ....6.675

H.S., L.A. Wide Flange
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.20
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....6.20
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....6.125
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....6.125

PILING

BEARING PILES
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.10
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....4.10

STEEL SHEET PILING
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....4.925
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....4.925
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.925
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....4.925

PLATES

PLATES, Carbon Steel
AlabamaCity,Ala., R2 ....4.10
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.10
Ashland,Ky. (15) A10 ....4.10
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....4.10
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.10
Claymont,Del. C22 ....4.10
Coatesville,Pa. L7 ....4.10
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ....4.10
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....4.30
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.10
Fontana,Calif.(30) K1 ....4.75
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.10
Geneva,Utah C11 ....4.10
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....4.30
Harrisburg,Pa. C5 ....4.10
Houston S5 ....4.50
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.10
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.10
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....4.10
LoneStar,Tex. L6 ....4.50
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.95
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.10
Pittsburgh J5 ....4.10
Riverdale,Ill. A1 ....4.10
Seattle B3 ....5.00
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....4.10
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14 4.10
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..4.10
Steubenville,O. W10 ....4.10
Warren,O. R2 ....4.10
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.10
Youngstown R2, U5, Y1 4.10

PLATES, Carbon Abras. Resist.
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.90
Geneva,Utah C11 ....5.25

PLATES, Wrought Iron
Economy,Pa. B14 ....9.30

PLATES,High-Strength Low-Alloy
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....6.25
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....6.25
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....6.25
Cleveland J5 ....6.25
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..6.25
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....6.45
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.25
Fontana,Calif.(30) K1 ..6.95
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.25
Geneva,Utah C11 ....6.25
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....6.25
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....6.75
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....6.25
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.25
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....6.25
Pittsburgh J5 ....6.25
Seattle B3 ....7.15
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....6.25
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14 6.25
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..6.25
Youngstown U5 ....6.25
Youngstown Y1 ....6.75

PLATES, Alloy
Claymont,Del. C22 ....5.55
Coatesville,Pa. L7 ....5.55
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.60
Gary,Ind. U5 ....5.55
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....5.55
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....5.55
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....5.55
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14 5.55
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..5.55

FLOOR PLATES
Cleveland J5 ....5.15
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..5.15
Harrisburg,Pa. C5 ....5.15
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....5.15
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....5.15
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....5.15

PLATES, Ingot Iron
Ashland c.l. (15) A10 ..4.35
Ashland,l.c.l.(15) A10 ..4.85
Cleveland, c.l. R2 ....4.70
Warren,O. c.l. R2 ....4.70

BARS

BARS, Hot-Rolled Carbon
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.15
Alton,Ill. L1 ....4.35
Atlanta,Ga. A11 ....4.40
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....4.15
Birmingham,Ala. C15 ..4.15
Buffalo(31) R2 ....4.18
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.15
Cleveland(31) R2 ....4.21
Detroit R7 ....4.30
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....4.35
Emeryville,Calif. J7 ....4.90
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.15
Fairless,Pa. U5 ....4.30
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....4.85
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.15
Gadsden,Ala.(31) R2 ....4.18
Houston S5 ....4.55
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.15
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.15
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....4.75
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ....4.15
LosAngeles B3 ....4.85
Milton,Pa. M18 ....4.15
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.60
Niles,Calif. P1 ....4.85
N.Tonawanda,N.Y. B11 4.15
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....4.85
Pittsburgh J5 ....4.15
Portland,Oreg. O4 ....4.90
Seattle B3, N14 ....4.90
So.Chicago U5, W14 ....4.15
Chicago(31) R2 ....4.22
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....4.15
So.SanFran.,Calif. B3 ..4.90
Sterling,Ill. (1) N15 ....4.15
Struthers,O. Y1 ....4.15
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....4.85
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.15
Youngstown U5 ....4.15
Youngstown(31) R2 ....4.20

BARS, Hot-Rolled Alloy
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....4.875
Buffalo R2 ....4.875
Canton,O. R2, T7 ....4.875
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.875
Detroit R7 ....4.975
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....5.075
Fairless,Pa. U5 ....5.025
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.925
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.875
Houston S5 ....5.275
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.875
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.875
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....5.475
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.875
LosAngeles B3 ....5.925
Massillon,O. R2 ....4.875
Midland,Pa. C18 ....4.875
So.Chicago R2,U5,W14 ..4.875
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....4.875
Struthers,O. Y1 ....4.875
Warren,O. C17 ....4.875
Youngstown U5 ....4.875

BARS & SMALL SHAPES, H.R. High-Strength Low-Alloy
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....6.225
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....6.225
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.225
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....6.225
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....6.425
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.225
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....7.475
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.225
Ind.Harb.,Ind. Y1 ....6.725
Ind.Harb.,Ind. I-2 ....6.225
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....6.225
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.225
LosAngeles B3 ....6.925
Pittsburgh J5 ....6.225
Seattle B3 ....6.975
So.Chicago W14 ....6.225
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....6.225
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....6.975
Struthers,O. Y1 ....6.725
Youngstown U5 ....6.225

BAR SIZE ANGLES; H.R.CARBON
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....4.35

BAR SIZE ANGLES; S. Shapes
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.15
Atlanta A11 ....4.35
Niles,Calif. P1 ....4.85
SanFrancisco S7 ....5.10

BAR SHAPES, Hot-Rolled Alloy
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....5.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.925
Gary,Ind. U5 ....5.00
Houston S5 ....5.60
KansasCity S5 ....5.60
Youngstown U5 ....5.00

BARS, Cold-Finished Carbon
Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....5.20
BeaverFalls,Pa. M12, R2 5.20
Buffalo B5 ....5.25
Camden,N.J. P13 ....5.65
Carnegie,Pa. C12 ....5.20
Chicago W18 ....5.20
Cleveland A7, C20 ....5.20
Detroit P17, R7 ....5.35
Detroit B5 ....5.40
Donora,Pa. A7 ....5.20
Elyria,O. W8 ....5.20
FranklinPark,Ill. N5 ....5.20
Gary,Ind. R2 ....5.20
GreenBay,Wis. F7 ....5.20
Hammond,Ind. L2, M13 5.20
Hartford,Conn. R2 ....5.75
Harvey,Ill. B5 ....5.20
LosAngeles R2 ....6.65
Mansfield,Mass. B5 ....5.75
Massillon,O. R2, R8 ....5.20
Monaca,Pa. S17 ....5.20
Newark,N.J. W18 ....5.65
NewCastle,Pa.(17) B4 ....5.20
Pittsburgh J5 ....5.20
Plymouth,Mich. P5 ....5.45
Putnam,Conn. W18 ....5.75
Readville,Mass. C14 ....5.75
St.Louis,Mo. M5 ....5.50
So.Chicago,Ill. W14 ....5.20
SpringCity,Pa. K3 ....5.65
Struthers,O. Y1 ....5.20
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....5.20
Worcester,Mass. W19 ....6.10
Youngstown F3, Y1 ....5.20

BARS, Cold-Finished Alloy (Turned and Ground)
Cumberland,Md.(5) C19 4.45

BARS, Cold-Finished Alloy
Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....6.325
BeaverFalls,Pa. M12 ..6.325
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.325
Buffalo B5 ....6.325
Camden,N.J. P13 ....6.50
Canton,O. R2, T7 ....6.325
Carnegie,Pa. C12 ....6.325
Chicago W18 ....6.325
Cleveland A7, C20 ....6.325
Detroit R7 ....6.425
Detroit P17 ....6.475
Detroit B5 ....6.525
Donora,Pa. A7 ....6.325
Elyria,O. W8 ....6.325
Gary,Ind. R2 ....6.325
Hammond,Ind. L2,M13 6.325
Hartford,Conn. R2 ....6.775
Harvey,Ill. B5 ....6.325
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.325
Mansfield,Mass. B5 ..6.775
Massillon,O. R2, R8 ..6.325
Midland,Pa. C18 ....6.325
Monaca,Pa. S17 ....6.325
Newark,N.J. W18 ....6.65
Plymouth,Mich. P5 ....6.525
So.Chicago,Ill. R2,W14 6.325
SpringCity,Pa. K3 ....6.50
Struthers,O. Y1 ....6.325
Warren,O. C17 ....6.325
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....6.325
Worcester,Mass. A7 ..6.625
Youngstown F3, Y1 ..6.325

BARS, Reinforcing (Fabricators)
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ..4.15
Atlanta A11 ....4.35
Birmingham,Ala. C15 ..4.15
Buffalo R2 ....4.15
Cleveland R2 ....4.15
Emeryville,Calif. J7 ....4.90
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.15
Fairless,Pa. U5 ....4.30
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....4.85
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.15
Houston S5 ....4.55
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.15
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.15
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....4.75
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.15
LosAngeles B3 ....4.85
Milton,Pa. M18 ....4.15
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.75
Niles,Calif. P1 ....4.85
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....4.85
Pittsburgh J5 ....4.15
SandSprings,Okla. S5 ..5.00
Seattle B3, N14 ....4.90
So.Chicago,Ill. R2 ....4.15
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....4.15
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....4.90
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..4.15
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ....4.15
Struthers,O. Y1 ....4.15
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....4.85
Youngstown R2, U5 ....4.15

BARS, Reinforcing (Fabricated; to consumers)
Johnstown, ¼-1" B2 ....5.55
KansasCity S5 ....6.35
LosAngeles B3 ....5.80
Marion,O. P11 ....5.55
Seattle N14 ....5.80
Seattle B3 ....5.85
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....5.85
SparrowsPt, ¼-1" B2 ..5.55
Williamsport,Pa. S19 ....5.45

RAIL STEEL BARS
Avis,Pa.(3) J8 ....4.25
ChicagoHts.(3) C2, I-2 ..4.05
ChicagoHts.(4) C2, I-2 ..4.15
Ft.Worth,Tex.(26) T4 ..4.65
Franklin,Pa.(3) F5 ....4.05
Franklin,Pa.(4) F5 ....4.15
Marion,O.(3) P11 ....4.00
Moline,Ill.(3) R2 ....4.15
Tonawanda(3,4) B12 ....4.15
Williamsport,Pa.(3) S19 4.25
Williamsport,Pa.(4) S19 5.45

BARS, Wrought Iron
Economy,Pa.(S.R.)B14 10.40
Economy,Pa.(D.R.)B14 12.90
Economy(Staybolt) B14 13.20
McK.Rks.(S.R.) L5 ..10.40
McK.Rks.(D.R.) L5 ..14.00
McK.Rks(Staybolt) L5 15.50

SHEETS

SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Steel (18 gage and heavier)
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ..3.925
Allenport,Pa. P7 ....3.925
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ....3.925
Cleveland J5, R2 ....3.925
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ....4.05
Detroit M1 ....4.125
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....4.125
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....3.925
Fairless,Pa. U5 ....4.025
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....4.70
Gary,Ind. U5 ....3.925
Geneva,Utah C11 ....4.025
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....4.125
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 3.925
Irvin,Pa. U5 ....3.925

Kokomo,Ind. C16 ....4.025
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2..3.925
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....3.925
Newport,Ky. N9 .....3.925
Niles,O. N12 .....5.175
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ...4.625
Pittsburgh J5 .....3.925
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....3.925
Riverdale,Ill. A1 .....3.925
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....3.925
So.Chicago,Ill. W14 ...3.925
SparrowsPoint,Md .B2..3.925
Steubenville,O. W10 ...3.925
Torrance,Calif. C11 ...4 625
Warren,O R2 .....3 925
Weirton,W Va W6 ...3.925
Youngstown U5, Y1 ...3.925

SHEETS H.R. (19 gage)
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ..5.225
Dover,O. R1 .....5.05
Kokomo,Ind. C16 .....5.025
Mansfield,O. E6 .....5.05
Niles,O. N12 .....4.775
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....5.875

SHEETS, H.R. (14 ga. heavier) High-Strength Low-Alloy
Cleveland J5, R2 .....5 90
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..5 90
Ecorse,Mich G5 .....6.10
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....5.90
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.675
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.90
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ...5.90
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....6.40
Irvin,Pa. U5 .....5.90
Lackawanna(35) B2 ..5 90
Munhall,Pa. U5 .....5 90
Pittsburgh J5 .....5 90
Sharon,Pa S3 .....5.90
So.Chicago,Ill U5 .....5.90
SparrowsPoint(36) B2 ..5.90
Warren,O. R2 .....5.90
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5.90
Youngstown U5 .....5.90
Youngstown Y1 .....6.40

SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron (18 Gage and Heavier)
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..4.175
Cleveland R2 .....4.525
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ...4.175
Warren,O R2 .....4.525

SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Steel (Commercial Quality)
Allenport,Pa P7 .....4.775
Cleveland J5, R2 .....4 775
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....4 975
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....4.775
Fairless,Pa. U5 .....4.875
Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ..4.775
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.875
Gary,Ind. U5 .....4.775
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....4 975
Ind.Harbor,Ind I-2,Y1 4.775
Irvin,Pa U5 .....4.775
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2..4.775
Middletown,O. A10 ....4.775
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....5.725
Pittsburgh J5 .....4.775
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....4.775
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..4 775
Steubenville,O. W10 ...4.775
Warren,O. R2 .....4.775
Weirton,W Va. W6 ...4 775
Youngstown Y1 .....4 775

SHEETS, Cold-Rolled High-Strength Low Alloy
Cleveland J5, R2 .....7.225
Ecorse,Mich G5 .....7.425
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....8.275
Gary,Ind. U5 .....7.225
IndianaHarbor,Ind. Y1.7.725
Irvin,Pa. U5 .....7.225
Lackawanna(37) B2 ..7.225
Pittsburgh J5 .....7 225
SparrowsPoint (38) B2.7.225
Warren,O. R2 .....7.225
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....7 225
Youngstown Y1 .....7.725

SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Ingot Iron
Cleveland R2 .....5 375
Middletown,O A10 ....5.275
Warren,O. R2 .....5 375

SHEETS, Culvert	Cu Alloy	Cu Fe
Ashland,Ky A10	6.325	....
Canton,O. R2	6.475	6.925
Fairfield T2	6.075	6.325
Gary,Ind. U5	6.075	6 325
Ind.Harbor I-2	6.075	6.325
Irvin,Pa. U5	6.075	6.325
Kokomo,Ind. C16	6 175	....
MartinsFry.,O W10	6 075	....
Pitts.,Calif. C11	6.825	....
SparrowsPt. B2	6.075	....
Torrance,Cal. C11	7.075	....

SHEETS, Culvert	Pure Iron
Ashland,Ky. A10	6 575
Fairfield,Ala. T2	6.325
MartinsFerry,O. W10	6.325

SHEETS, Gal'd No. 10 Steel
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ..5.275
Ashland,Ky(8) A10 ...5 275
Canton,O R2 .....5.275
Delphos,O N16 .....5 775
Dover,O. R1 .....5.275
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....5.275†
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.275†
GraniteCity,Ill G4 ....5.475
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ...5.275
Irvin,Pa. U5 .....5.275†
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ....5.375†
MartinsFerry,O. W10 ..5.275
Niles,O N12 .....5.275
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ...6.025†
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..5.275
Steubenville,O. W10 ...5.275
Torrance,Calif. C11 ..6.275†
Weirton,W.Va W6 ....5 275

†Based on 5c zinc

SHEETS, Galvanized No. 10 High-Strength Low-Alloy
Irvin,Pa. U5 .....7.925
SparrowsPoint(39) B2..8.075

SHEETS, Galvanized Ingot Iron No. 10 flat
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ...5.525
Canton,O. R2 .....6.025

SHEETS, Galvannealed Steel
Canton,O. R2 .....5 825
Irvin,Pa. U5 .....5.825†
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ....5.925†
Niles, O. N12 .....5.825

†Based on 5c zinc

SHEETS, ZINCGRIP Steel
Butler,Pa. A10 .....5 525
Middletown,O A10 ....5.525

SHEETS, ZINCGRIP Ingot Iron
Butler,Pa A10 .....5.775
Middletown,O. A10 ....5.775

SHEETS, Electrogalvanized
Cleveland R2 (28) 6.125
Niles,O. R2 (28) 6.125
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5 975

SHEETS, ALUMINIZED
Butler,Pa. A10 .....8.625

SHEETS, Enameling Iron
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..5.175
Cleveland R2 .....5.175
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.175
GraniteCity,Ill G4 ....5 375
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ..5 175
Irvin,Pa. U5 .....5.175
Middletown,O. A10 ...5.175
Niles,O. N12 .....6.525
Youngstown Y1 .....5.175

BLUED STOCK, 29 ga.
Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ..7.30
Follansbee(23) F4 ....7.175
Yorkville,O. W10 .....7.20

SHEETS, Long Terne Steel (Commercial Quality)
BeechBott'm,W.Va.W10 5.675
Gary,Ind U5 .....5 675
Mansfield,O E6 .....5.675
Middletown,O. A10 .... 5 675
Niles,O. N12 .....5.675
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5.675

SHEETS, Long Terne, Ingot Iron
Middletown,O. A10 ....6 075

SHEETS, Well Casing
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....6.20

STRIP

STRIP, Hot-Rolled Carbon
Ala City,Ala.(27) R2 ..3.925
Allenport,Pa. P7 .....3.925
Alton,Ill. L1 .....4.10
Ashland,Ky (8) A10 ...3.925
Atlanta A11 .....4.125
Bessemer,Ala T2 ....3.925
Birmingham C15 .....3.925
Bridgeport,Conn.(10)S15 3.95
Buffalo(27) R2 .....3.925
Carnegie,Pa. S18 .....4.425
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..4 05
Detroit M1 .....4.125
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....4.125
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....3.925
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....4.70
Gary,Ind. U5 .....3.925
Houston,Tex. S5 .....4 325
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2,Y1.3.925
Johnstown,Pa (25) B2..3.925
KansasCity,Mo.(9) S5..4.525
Lackw'na,N.Y.(25) B2.3.925
LosAngeles(25) B3 ....4.675
Milton,Pa. M18 .....3.925
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ...5.025
NewBritain(10) S15 ....4.15
N.Tonawanda,N.Y. B11.3.925
Pittsburg,Calif C11 ...4.675
Portsmouth,O P12 ....3.925
Riverdale,Ill A1 .....3.925
San Francisco S7 .....5 10
Seattle(25) B3 .....4.925
Seattle N14 .....4.925
Sharon,Pa S3 .....3.925
So.Chicago,Ill. W14 ...3.925
So.SanFrancisco(25)B3 4.675
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 .3.925
Torrance,Calif. C11 ...4.675
Warren,O. R2 .....3.925
Weirton,W.Va W6 ....3.925
Youngstown U5 .....3 925

STRIP, Hot-Rolled Alloy
Bridgeport,Conn.(10)S15 6 45
Carnegie,Pa S18 .....6.40
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....7.80
Gary,Ind U5 .....6.40
Houston,Tex. S5 .....6.80
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....7.00
LosAngeles B3 .....7.60
NewBritn.,Conn.(10)S15 6.45
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....6.40
So Chicago W14 .....6.40
Youngstown U5 .....6.40

STRIP, Hot-Rolled High-Strength Low-Alloy
Bessemer,Ala T2 .....5.95
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..5 90
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....6.15
Fairfield,Ala. T2 .....5 95
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....7.05
Gary,Ind. U5 .....5.95
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....5.95
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....6.45
Lackawanna,N.Y B2 ..6 00
LosAngeles(25) B3 ....6.70
Seattle(25) B3 .....6 95
Sharon,Pa S3 .....5.95
So.SanFrancisco(25) B3.6.70
SparrowsPoint,Md B2 ..6.00
Warren,O. R2 .....5.95
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5.95
Youngstown Y1 .....6.45
Youngstown U5 .....5.95

STRIP, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..4.175
Warren,O. R2 .....4 525

STRIP, Cold-Rolled Carbon
Anderson,Ind G5 .....5.45
Bridgeprt,Conn.(10) S15.5 45
Cleveland A7, J5 .....5.45
Dearborn,Mich D3 ....5.65
Detroit D2, M1, P20 ...5.65
Dover,O. G6 .....5 45
Ecorse,Mich. G5 .....5.65
Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ..5.45
Fontana,Calif. K1 .....7.35
FranklinaPrk,Ill. T6 ..5.70
Ind Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....5.70
Indianapolis C8 .....5 60
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..5.45
LosAngeles C1 .....7.50
Mattapan,Mass T6 ....6.10
Middletown,O A10 ....5.45
NewBedford,Mass R10..6.00
NewBritain(10) S15 ...5.75
NewCastle,Pa. B4, E5..5.45
NewHaven,Conn. A7 ...6.20
NewHaven,Conn. D2 ...5.90
Pawtucket,R.I. N8, R3..6 10
Pittsburgh J5 .....5 45
Riverdale,Ill. A1 .....5.70
Rome,N.Y.(29) R6 ....5.45
Sharon,Pa S3 .....5.45
SparrowsPoint,Md B2 ..5.45
Trenton,N.J. R5 .....7.00
Wall'ford,Conn. W2 ....5.90
Warren,O.(40) T5 .....5.45
Warren,O. B9, R2 .....5 45
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5 45
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....6.30
Youngstown C8, Y1 ....5.45

STRIP, Cold-Rolled Alloy Steel
Carnegie,Pa. S18 .....12 00
Cleveland A7 .....12.00
Dover,O G6 .....12.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....13.65
Harrison,N.J. C18 .....12.00
Pawtucket,R.I.(11) N8.12.15
Pawtucket,R.I.(12) N8.12 45
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....12.00
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....12.30
Youngstown C8 .....12.00

STRIP, Cold-Rolled High-Strength Low-Alloy
Cleveland J5 .....7 80
Cleveland A7 .....8.15
Dearborn,Mich. D3 ....7.90
Dover,O G6 .....8.00
Ecorse,Mich G5 .....8.35
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..8.15
Pittsburgh J5 .....7.80
Sharon,Pa. S3 .....7 65
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..8 15
Warren,O. R2 .....7.60
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....8.15
Youngstown Y1 .....8.30

STRIP, Cold-Rolled Ingot Iron
Warren,O. R2 .....6.05

STRIP, Electrogalvanized
Dover,O. G6 .....5.45
Warren,O B9, T5 .....5.45
Weirton,W Va. W6 ....5.45
Youngstown C8 .....5.70

TIGHT COOPERAGE HOOP
Atlanta A11 .....4.65
Riverdale,Ill A1 .....4.50
Sharon,Pa S3 .....4.35
Youngstown U5 .....4.35

Key to Producers

A1 Acme Steel Co.
A3 Alan Wood Steel Co.
A4 Allegheny Ludlum Steel
A5 Alloy Metal Wire Co.
A7 American Steel & Wire
A8 Anchor Drawn Steel Co.
A9 Angell Nail & Chaplet
A10 Armco Steel Corp.
A11 Atlantic Steel Co.
A13 American Cladmetals Co.

B1 Babcock & Wilcox Co.
B2 Bethlehem Steel Co.
B3 Beth. Pac. Coast Steel
B4 Blair Strip Steel Co.
B5 Bliss & Laughlin Inc.
B8 Braeburn Alloy Steel
B9 Brainard Steel Div., Sharon Steel Corp.
B10 E. & G. Brooke, Wickwire Spencer Div., Colo. Fuel & Iron
B11 Buffalo Bolt Co., Div., Buffalo-Eclipse Corp.
B12 Buffalo Steel Div., H. K. Porter Co.
B14 A. M. Byers Co.
B15 J. Bishop & Co.

C1 Calstrip Steel Corp.
C2 Calumet Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.
C4 Carpenter Steel Co.
C5 Central Iron & Steel Div., Barium Steel Corp.
C7 Cleve. Cold Rolling Mills
C8 Cold Metal Products Co.
C9 Colonial Steel Co.
C10 Colorado Fuel & Iron
C11 Columbia-Geneva Steel
C12 Columbia Steel & Shaft.
C13 Columbia Tool Steel Co.
C14 Compressed Steel Shaft.
C15 Connors Steel Div., H. K. Porter Co. Inc.
C16 Continental Steel Corp.
C17 Copperweld Steel Co.
C18 Crucible Steel Co.
C19 Cumberland Steel Co.
C20 Cuyahoga Steel & Wire
C22 Claymont Steel Products Dept. Wickwire Spencer Steel Division
C23 Charter Wire Products
C24 G. O. Carlson Inc.

D2 Detroit Steel Corp.
D3 Detroit Tube & Steel
D4 Disston & Sons, Henry
D6 Driver Harris Co.
D7 Dickson Weatherproof Nail Co.
D8 Damascus Tube Co.
D9 Wilbur B. Driver Co.

E1 Eastern Gas&FuelAssoc.
E2 Eastern Stainless Steel
E4 Electro Metallurgical Co.
E5 Elliott Bros. Steel Co.
E6 Empire Steel Corp.
F2 Firth Sterling Inc.
F3 Fitzsimons Steel Co.
F4 Follansbee Steel Corp.
F5 Franklin Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.
F6 Fretz-Moon Tube Co.
F7 Ft. Howard Steel & Wire
F8 Ft. Wayne Metals Inc.

G2 Globe Iron Co.
G4 Granite City Steel Co.
G5 Great Lakes Steel Corp.
G6 Greer Steel Co.

H1 Hanna Furnace Corp.
H7 Helical Tube Co.

I-1 Igoe Bros. Inc.
I-2 Inland Steel Co.
I-3 Interlake Iron Corp.
I-4 Ingersoll Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.
I-7 Indiana Steel & Wire Co.

J1 Jackson Iron & Steel Co.
J3 Jessop Steel Co.
J4 Johnson Steel&Wire Co.
J5 Jones & Laughlin Steel
J6 Joslyn Mfg. & Supply
J7 Judson Steel Corp.
J8 Jersey Shore Steel Co.

K1 Kaiser Steel Corp.
K2 Keokuk Electro-Metals
K3 Keystone Drawn Steel
K4 Keystone Steel & Wire
K7 Kenmore Metals Corp.

L1 Laclede Steel Co.
L2 LaSalle Steel Co.
L3 Latrobe Steel Co.
L5 Lockhart Iron & Steel
L6 Lone Star Steel Co.
L7 Lukens Steel Co.

M1 McLouth Steel Corp.
M4 Mahoning Valley Steel
M5 Medart Co.
M6 Mercer Pipe Div., Sawhill Tubular Products
M8 Mid-States Steel & Wire
M12 Moltrup Steel Products
M13 Monarch Steel Co.
M16 Md. Fine & Special Wire
M17 Metal Forming Corp.
M18 Milton Steel Prod. Div., Merritt-Chapman&Scott
N2 National Supply Co.
N3 National Tube Div.
N5 Nelsen Steel & Wire Co.
N6 NewEng.HighCarb.Wire
N8 Newman-Crosby Steel
N9 Newport Steel Corp.
N12 Niles Rolling Mill Div.
N14 Nrthwst.Steel Roll. Mills
N15 Northwestern S.&W. Co.
N16 New Delphos Mfg. Co.

O3 Oliver Iron & Steel Corp.
O4 Oregon Steel Mills
P1 Pacific States Steel Corp.
P4 Phoenix Iron & Steel Co.
P5 Pilgrim Drawn Steel
P6 Pittsburgh Coke&Chem.
P7 Pittsburgh Steel Co.
P11 Pollak Steel Co.
P12 Portsmouth Division Detroit Steel Corp.
P13 Precision Drawn Steel
P14 Pitts. Screw & Bolt Co.
P15 Pittsburgh Metallurgical
P16 Page Steel & Wire Div., Amer. Chain & Cable
P17 Plymouth Steel Co.
P20 Prod. Steel Strip Corp.

R1 Reeves Steel & Mfg. Co.
R2 Republic Steel Corp.
R3 Rhode Island Steel Corp.
R5 Roebling's Sons, John A.
R6 Rome Strip Steel Co.
R7 Rotary Electric Steel Co.
R8 RelianceDiv.,EatonMfg.
R9 Rome Mfg. Co.
R10 Rodney Metals Inc.

S1 Seneca Wire & Mfg. Co.
S3 Sharon Steel Corp.
S4 Sharon Tube Co.
S5 Sheffield Steel Corp.
S6 Shenango Furnace Co.
S7 Simmons Co.
S8 Simonds Saw & Steel Co.
S13 Standard Forgings Corp.
S14 Standard Tube Co.
S15 Stanley Works
S16 Struthers Iron & Steel
S17 Superior Drawn Steel Co.
S18 Superior Steel Corp.
S19 Sweet's Steel Co.
S20 Southern States Steel
S25 Stainless Welded Products
S26 Specialty Wire Co. Inc.

T2 Tenn. Coal & Iron Div.
T3 Tenn. Prod. & Chem.
T4 Texas Steel Co.
T5 Thomas Strip Division, Pittsburgh Steel Co.
T6 Thompson Wire Co.
T7 Timken Roller Bearing
T9 Tonawanda Iron Div., Am. Rad. & Stan. San.
T13 Tube Methods Inc.

U4 Universal-Cyclops Steel
U5 United States Steel Corp.
U6 U. S. Pipe & Foundry

V2 Vanadium-Alloys Steel
V3 Vulcan Crucible Steel Co.

W1 Wallace Barnes Co.
W2 Wallingford Steel Co.
W3 Washburn Wire Co.
W4 Washington Steel Corp.
W6 Weirton Steel Co.
W7 W. Va. Steel & Mfg. Co.
W8 West.Auto.Mach.Screw
W9 Wheatland Tube Co.
W10 Wheeling Steel Corp.
W12 Wickwire Spencer Steel Div., Colo. Fuel & Iron
W13 Wilson Steel & Wire Co.
W14 Wisconsin Steel Div. International Harvester
W15 Woodward Iron Co.
W18 Wyckoff Steel Co.
W19 Worcester Pressed Steel

Y1 Youngstown Sheet&Tube

STRIP, Cold-Finished Spring Steel (Annealed)	0.26-0.40C	0.41-0.60C	0.61-0.80C	0.81-1.05C	1.06-1.35C
Berea, O. C7	...	8.00	8.60	10.55	12.85
Bridgeport, Conn. (10) S15	5.45	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Bristol, Conn. W1	...	...	8.90	10.85	....
Carnegie, Pa. S18	...	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Cleveland A7	5.45	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Dearborn, Mich. D3	5.65	7.85	8.80	....	....
Detroit D2	5.65	7.85	8.80	10.55	....
Dover, O. G6	5.45	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
FranklinPark, Ill. T6	5.70	7.80	8.75	10.70	13.00
Harrison, N.J. C18	...	...	8.90	10.85	13.15
Indianapolis C8	...	7.80	8.60	10.55	....
Mattapan, Mass. T6	6.10	7.95	8.90	10.85	13.15
NewBritn., Conn. (10) S15	5.75	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
NewCastle, Pa. B4	5.45	7.65	8.60	....	....
NewCastle, Pa. E5	5.45	8.00	8.60	10.55	12.85
NewHaven, Conn. D2	5.90	7.95	8.90	10.85	....
NewYork W3	...	7.95	8.90	10.85	13.15
Pawtucket, R.I. (11) N8	...	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Pawtucket, R.I. (12) N8	6.10	7.95	8.90	10.85	13.15
Sharon, Pa. S3	5.45	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Trenton, N.J. R5	...	7.95	8.90	10.85	13.15
Wallingford, Conn. W2	5.90	7.95	8.90	10.85	13.15
Warren, O. T5	5.45	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Weirton, W.Va. W6	5.45	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Worcester, Mass. A7	6.30	7.95	8.90	10.85	13.15
Worcester, Mass. T6	6.10	7.95	8.90	10.85	13.15
Youngstown C8	...	7.65	8.60	10.55	12.85
Spring Steel (Tempered)					
Buffalo W12	...	...	12.50	....	....
Bristol, Conn. W1	...	...	12.50	15.00	....
FranklinPark, Ill. T6	...	...	13.25	15.75	18.75
Harrison, N.J. C18	...	...	12.50	15.00	18.00
NewYork W3	...	...	12.50	15.00	18.00
Trenton, N.J. R5	...	...	12.50	15.00	18.00
Worcester, Mass. T6	...	...	12.50	15.00	18.00
Worcester, Mass W12	...	...	12.50	....	....
Youngstown C8	...	...	12.50	15.00	18.00

SILICON STEEL

H.R. SHEETS (22 gage) (Cut Lengths)	Field	Armature	Electric	Motor	Dynamo
BeechBottom, W.Va. W10	....	....	8.75	9.75	10.65
Brackenridge, Pa. A4	....	....	8.75	9.75	10.65
IndianaHarbor, Ind. I-2	7.85	8.15	8.75	9.75	....
Mansfield, O. E6	7.85	8.15	8.75	9.75	10.65
Newport, Ky. N9	7.85	8.15	8.75	9.75	10.65
Niles, O. N12	7.85	8.15	8.75	9.75	....
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	....	8.15	8.75	9.75	10.65
Warren, O. R2	7.85	8.15	8.75	9.75	....
Zanesville, O. A10	....	8.15	8.75	9.75	10.65

C.R. COILS & CUT LENGTHS, (22 Ga.) Fully Processed (Semi processed ½c lower)	Field	Armature	Electric	Motor	Dynamo
GraniteCity, Ill. G4	8.25*	8.60*	9.20*	10.20*	....
IndianaHarbor, Ind. I-2	8.05	8.40*	9.00*	....	....
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	8.05*	8.90	9.50	10.50	11.40
Warren, O. R2	8.05†	8.90	9.50	10.50	11.40

H.R SHEETS (22 Gage) (Cut Lengths)	Transformer Grade T-72	T-65	T-58	T-52
BeechBottom, W.Va. W10	11.60	12.15	12.65	13.65
Brackenridge, Pa. A4	11.60	....	....	....
Newport, Ky. N9	11.60	....	....	....
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	11.60	12.15	12.65	13.65
Zanesville, O. A10	11.60	12.15	12.65	13.65

C.R. COILS & CUT LENTGHS (22 Ga.)	T-100	T-90	T-80	T-73	T-72
Butler, Pa. A10	....	....	16.25	16.75	....
Vandergrift, Pa. U5	13.65	14.65	16.25	16.75	12.35‡
Warren, O. R2	....	....	....	....	12.35‡

*Semiprocessed. †Fully processed only. ‡Coils annealed; semiprocessed ½c lower.

TIN MILL PRODUCTS

TIN PLATE Electrolytic (Base Box)	0.25 lb	0.50 lb	0.75 lb
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	$7.40	$7.65	$8.05
Fairfield, Ala. T2	7.50	7.75	8.15
Fairless, Pa. U5	7.50	7.75	8.15
Gary, Ind. U5	7.40	7.65	8.05
GraniteCity, Ill. G4	7.60	7.85	8.25
IndianaHarbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	7.40	7.65	8.05
Irvin, Pa. U5	7.40	7.65	8.05
Niles, O. R2	7.40	7.65	8.05
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	8.15	8.40	8.80
SparrowsPoint, Md. B2	7.50	7.75	8.15
Weirton, W.Va. W6	7.40	7.65	8.05
Yorkville, O. W10	7.40	7.65	8.05

TIN PLATE, American 1.25 Coke (Base Box)	lb	1.50 lb
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	$8.70	$8.95
Fairfield, Ala. T2	8.80	9.06
Fairless, Pa. U5	8.80	9.05
Gary, Ind. U5	8.70	8.95
Ind.Har. I-2, Y1	8.70	8.95
Irvin, Pa. U5	8.70	8.95
Pitts., Cal. C11	9.45	9.70
Sp.Pt., Md. B2	8.80	9.05
Warren, O. R2	8.70	8.95
Weirton, W.Va. W6	8.70	8.95
Yorkville, O. W10	8.70	8.95

BLACK PLATE (Base Box)	
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	$6.50
Fairfield, Ala. T2	6.60
Fairless, Pa. U5	6.60
Gary, Ind. U5	6.50
GraniteCity, Ill. G4	6.70
Ind.Harbor, Ind. I-2, Y1	6.50
Irvin, Pa. U5	6.50
Niles, O. R2	6.50
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	7.25
SparrowsPoint, Md. B2	6.60
Warren, O. R2	6.50
Weirton, W.Va. W6	6.50
Yorkville, O. W10	6.50

HOLLOWARE ENAMELING Black Plate (29 gage)	
Follansbee, W.Va. F4	6.10
Gary, Ind. U5	6.10
GraniteCity, Ill. G4	6.30
Ind.Harbor, Ind. Y1	6.10
Irvin, Pa. U5	6.10
Yorkville, O. W10	6.10

MANUFACTURING TERNES (Special Coated)	
Fairfield, Ala. T2	$7.85
Gary, Ind. U5	7.75
Irvin, Pa. U5	7.75
Yorkville, O. W10	7.75

MANUFACTURING TERNES, 8 lb (Commercial Quality)	
Gary, Ind. U5	$9.75
Yorkville, O. W10	9.75

MANUFACTURING TERNES, LT. Coated, 6 lb	
Yorkville, O. W10	$8.65

ROOFING SHORT TERNES (8 lb Coated)	
Gary, Ind. U5	9.75

WIRE

WIRE, Manufacturers Bright, Low Carbon	
AlabamaCity, Ala. R2	5.525
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	5.525
Alton, Ill. L1	5.70
Atlanta A11	5.725
Bartonville, Ill. K4	5.625
Buffalo W12	5.525
Chicago W13	5.525
Cleveland A7, C20, R2	5.525
Crawfordsville, Ind. M8	5.625
Donora, Pa. A7	5.525
Duluth, Minn. A7	5.525
Fairfield, Ala. T2	5.525
Fostoria, O. (24) S1	5.75
Houston S5	5.925
Jacksonville, Fla. M8	6.05
Johnstown, Pa. B2	5.525
Joliet, Ill. A7	5.525
KansasCity, Mo. S5	6.125
Kokomo, Ind. C16	5.625
LosAngeles B3	6.475
Minnequa, Colo C10	5.775
Monessen, Pa. P7	5.525
No.Tonawanda B11	5.525
Palmer, Mass. W12	5.825
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	6.475
Portsmouth, O. P12	5.525
Rankin, Pa. A7	5.525
So.Chicago, Ill. R2	5.525
So.SanFrancisco C10	6.475
SparrowsPoint, Md. B2	5.625
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	5.525
Struthers, O. Y1	5.525
Waukegan, Ill A7	5.525
Worcester, Mass. A7	5.825

WIRE, MB Spring, High Carbon	
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	6.925
Alton, Ill. L1	7.10
Bartonville, Ill. K4	7.025
Buffalo W12	6.925
Cleveland A7	6.925
Donora, Pa. A7	6.925
Duluth, Minn. A7	6.925
Fostoria, O. S1	6.925
Johnstown, Pa. B2	6.925
LosAngeles B3	7.875
Millbury, Mass. (12) N6	7.225
Minnequa, Colo. C10	7.175
Monessen, Pa. P7, P16	6.925
Muncie, Ind. I-7	7.125
Palmer, Mass. W12	7.225
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	7.875
Portsmouth, O. P12	6.925
RoeblingN.J. R5	7.225
So.Chicago, Ill. R2	6.925
So.SanFran. C10	7.875
SparrowsPt., Md. B2	7.025
Struthers, O. Y1	6.925
Trenton, N.J. A7	7.225
Waukegan, Ill. A7	6.925
Worcester A7, J4	7.225
Worcester T6, W12	7.225

WIRE, Upholstery Spring	
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	6.625
Alton, Ill L1	6.80
Buffalo W12	6.625
Cleveland A7	6.625
Donora, Pa. A7	6.625
Duluth, Minn. A7	6.625
Johnstown, Pa. B2	6.625
LosAngeles B3	7.575
Minnequa, Colo. C10	6.80
Monessen, Pa. P7, P16	6.625
NewHaven, Conn. A7	6.925
Palmer, Mass. W12	6.925
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	7.575
Portsmouth, O. P12	6.625
Roebling, N.J. R5	6.925
So.Chicago, Ill. R2	6.625
So.SanFrancisco C10	7.575
SparrowsPoint, Md. B2	6.725
Trenton, N.J. A7	6.925
Waukegan, Ill. A7	6.625
Worcester, Mass. A7	6.925

WIRE, Fine & Weaving(8"Coils)	
Alton, Ill. L1	10.75
Bartonville, Ill. K4	10.65
Buffalo W12	10.55
Chicago W13	10.55
Cleveland A7	10.55
Crawfordsville, Ind. M8	10.65
Fostoria, O. S1	10.55
Jacksonville, Fla. M8	11.08
Johnstown, Pa. B2	10.55
Kokomo, Ind. C16	10.55
Minnequa, Colo. C10	10.30
Monessen, Pa. P16	10.55
Muncie, Ind. I-7	10.75
Palmer, Mass. W12	10.85
Roebling, N.J. R5	10.85
So.SanFrancisco C10	10.90
Waukegan, Ill. A7	10.55
Worcester, Mass. A7, T6	10.85

WIRE, Galv'd ACSR for Cores	
Bartonville, Ill. K4	9.50
Buffalo W12	9.50
Johnstown, Pa. B2	9.50
Minnequa, Colo. C10	9.625
Monessen, Pa. P16	9.50
Muncie, Ind. I-7	9.70
Roebling, N.J. R5	9.80
SparrowsPt., Md. B2	9.60

ROPE WIRE (A)	
Alton, Ill. L1	9.45
Bartonville, Ill. K4	9.35
Buffalo W12	9.35
Fostoria, O. S1	9.35
Johnstown, Pa. B2	9.35
Monessen, Pa. P7, P16	9.35
Muncie, Ind. I-7	9.55
Palmer, Mass. W12	9.65
Portsmouth, O. P12	9.35
Roebling, N.J. R5	9.65
SparrowsPt. B2	9.45
Struthers, O. Y1	9.35
Worcester J4, T6	9.65

(A) Plow and Mild Plow; add 0.25c for improved plow.

WIRE, Tire Bead	
Alton, Ill. L1	12.75
Bartonville, Ill. K4	12.65
Monessen, Pa. P16	12.55
Roebling, N.J. R5	12.85

WIRE, Cold-Rolled Flat	
Anderson, Ind. G6	7.45
Buffalo W12	7.45
Cleveland A7	7.45
Crawfordsville, Ind. M8	7.55
Dover, O. G6	7.45
Fostoria, O. S1	7.45
Kokomo, Ind. C16	7.55
FranklinPark, Ill. T6	7.60
Massillon, O. R8	7.45
Monessen, Pa. P7, P16	7.45
Pawtkt., R.I. (12) N8	7.75
Trenton, N.J. R5	7.75
Worcester A7, T6, W12	7.75

WIRE, Merchant Quality (6 to 8 gage)	An'ld. Galv.
Ala.City R2	6.675 7.075**
Aliquippa J5	6.675 7.20*
Atlanta A11	6.775 7.30
Bartonville(48) K4	6.775 7.275
Buffalo W12	6.675 7.075†
Cleveland A7	6.675 ....
Crawfordsville M8	6.775 7.30
Donora, Pa. A7	6.675 7.075†
Duluth, Minn. A7	6.675 7.075†
Fairfield T2	6.675 7.075†
Houston, Tex. S5	7.075 7.475
Jacksonville, Fla. M8	7.20 7.73
JohnstownB2(48)	6.675 7.225*
Joliet, Ill. A7	6.675 7.075†
KansasCity, Mo. S5	7.275 7.675
Kokomo C16	6.775 7.175†
LosAngeles B3	7.625 ....
Minnequa C10	6.925 7.326**
Monessen P7(48)	6.675 7.225
Palmer W12	6.975 7.375†
Pitts., Calif. C11	7.625 8.025†
Portsmouth, O. P12	6.675 ....
Rankin A7	6.675 7.075†
So.Chi'go R2	6.675 7.075**
S.S.Frn.(48) C10	7.625 8.025**
Spar'wsPt.B2(48)	6.775 7.325*
Sterl'g(1)(48) N15	6.675 7.175
Struthers, O. Y1	6.675 7.175
Worcester A7	6.975 ....

* Based on 10c zinc; † 5c zinc; ** Subject to zinc equalization extras.

WOVEN FENCE, 9-15½ Ga. Col.	
Ala.City, Ala. R2	140**
Ala.City, 17 ga. R2	235**
Ala.City 18 ga. R2	245**
Aliq'ppa, Pa. 9-14½ ga. J5	143*
Atlanta A11	145
Bartonville, Ill. K4	144
Crawfordsville, Ind. M8	145
Donora, Pa. A7	140†
Duluth, Minn. A7	140†
Fairfield, Ala. T2	140†
Houston, Tex. S5	148
Johnstown, Pa. B2	143
Johnstown 17 ga., 6"B2	234
Johnstown 4" B2	237
Joliet, Ill. A7	140†
KansasCity, Mo. S5	152
Kokomo, Ind. C16	142†
Minnequa, Colo. C10	148**
Monessen, Pa. 9 ga. P7	145
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	163†
Rankin, Pa. A7	140†
So.Chicago, Ill. R2	140**
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	142

† Based on 5c zinc; * 11c zinc; ** Subject to zinc equalization extras.

WIRE, (16gage) Stone Stone	An'ld. Galv.
Ala.City R2	12.50 14.05**
Aliquippa J5	12.50 14.30*
Bartonville K4	12.60 14.35
Buffalo W12	12.50 ....
Cleveland A7	12.50 ....
CrawfordsvilleM8	12.50 14.30
Fostoria, O. S1	12.60 14.15
Johnstown B2	12.50 14.35*
Kokomo C16	12.60 14.15†
Minnequa C10	12.75 14.45**
Palmer, Mas. W12	12.50 14.05†
Pitts., Calif. C11	12.85 14.40†
SparrowsPt. B2	12.60 14.45*
Sterling(1) N15	12.50 14.25
Waukegan A7	12.50 14.05†
Worcester A7	12.80 ....

* Based on 11c zinc; † 5c zinc; ** Subject to zinc equalization extras.

NAILS, Stock To dealers & mfrs. (7)	Col.
AlabamaCity, Ala. R2	131
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	131
Atlanta A11	133
Bartonville, Ill. K4	133
Chicago, Ill. W13	131
Cleveland A9	137
Crawfordsville, Ind. M8	133
Donora, Pa. A7	131
Duluth, Minn. A7	131
Fairfield, Ala. T2	131
Galveston, Tex. D7	139
Houston, Tex. S5	139
Johnstown, Pa. B2	131
Joliet, Ill. A7	131
KansasCity, Mo. S5	143
Kokomo, Ind. C16	133
Minnequa, Colo. C10	136
Monessen, Pa. P7	131
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	150
Rankin, Pa. A7	131
So.Chicago, Ill. R2	131
SparrowsPt., Md. B2	133
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	131
Worcester, Mass. A7	137

NAILS, CUT (100 lb keg) To dealers (33)	
Conshohocken, Pa. A3	$8.00
Wheeling, W.Va. W10	8.00

STAPLES, Polished Stock To dealers & mfrs. (7)	Col.
AlabamaCity, Ala. R2	133
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	133
Atlanta A11	133
Bartonville, Ill. K4	135
Crawfordsville, Ind. M8	135
Donora, Pa. A7	133
Duluth, Minn. A7	133
Fairfield, Ala. T2	133
Johnstown, Pa. B2	133
Joliet, Ill. A7	133
Kokomo, Ind. C16	135
Minnequa, Colo. C10	138
Monessen, Pa. P7	133
Pittsburg, Calif. C11	152
Rankin, Pa. A7	133
So.Chicago, Ill. R2	133
SparrowsPt., Md. B2	135
Sterling, Ill. (1) N15	133
Worcester, Mass. A7	139

FENCE POSTS

	Col.
ChicagoHts., Ill. C2, I-2	145
Duluth, Minn. A7 (49)	145
Franklin, Pa. F5	145
Johnstown, Pa. B2	145
Marion, O. P11	145
Minnequa, Colo. C10	150
Moline, Ill. R2	145
So.Chicago, Ill. R2	145
Tonawanda, N.Y. B12	145
Williamsport, Pa. S19	148

SEAMLESS STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

Sizes—Inches	2		2½		3		3½		4		5		6	
List Per Ft	37c		58.5c		76.5c		92c		$1.09		$1.48		$1.92	
Pounds Per Ft	3.68		5.82		7.62		9.20		10.89		14.81		19.18	
	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv
Aliquippa, Pa. J5 (‡)	15.75	list	19.75	2.5	22.25	5	23.75	6.5	23.75	6.5	23	5.75	25.5	8.25
Ambridge, Pa. N2 (†)	15.75	...	19.75	...	22.25	...	23.75	...	23.75	...	23	...	25.5	...
Lorain, O. N3 (*)	15.75	4.5	19.75	5.5	22.25	8	23.75	9.5	23.75	9.5	23	8.75	25.5	11.25
Youngstown Y1 (††)	15.75	list	19.75	2.5	22.25	5	23.75	6.5	23.75	6.5	23	5.75	25.5	8.25

ELECTRIC WELD STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

Youngstown R2 (**)	15.75	1.5	19.75	3.5	22.25	6.0	23.75	7.5	23.75	7.5	23	7.5	25.5	6.75

BUTTWELD STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

Size—Inches	⅛		¼		⅜		½		¾		1		1¼		1½	
List Per Ft	5.5c		6c		6c		8.5c		11.5c		17c		23c		27.5c	
Pounds Per Ft	0.24		0.42		0.57		0.85		1.13		1.68		2.28		2.73	
	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv
Aliquippa, Pa. J5 (‡)	...	...	....	...	....	....	26.25	10	29.25	14	31.75	17.5	34.25	18.5	34.75	19.5
Alton, Ill. L1 (§)	...	...	....	...	....	....	24.25	9	27.25	13	29.75	16.5	32.25	17.5	32.75	18.25
Benwood, W. Va. W10(††)	25.5	+0.25	17.75	+5.5	10.25	+10	26.25	11	29.25	15	31.75	18.5	34.25	19.5	34.75	20.25
Butler, Pa. F6	26.5	−1.75	19.5	+2.75	12.5	+6.25	....	...	....	...	....	...	....	....	....	....
Etna, Pa. N2 (†)	...	...	....	...	....	....	26.25	7	29.25	11	31.75	14.5	34.25	16.25	34.75	17.25
Fairless, Pa. N3	...	...	....	...	....	....	24.25	...	27.25	..	29.75	...	32.25	....	32.75	....
Fontana, Calif. K1 (§)	...	...	....	...	....	....	13.25	+3	16.25	1	18.75	4.5	21.25	5.5	21.75	6.5
Ind. Harbor Y1 (††)	...	...	....	...	....	....	25.25	9	28.25	13	30.75	16.5	33.25	17.5	33.75	18.5
Lorain, O. N3 (*)	...	...	....	...	....	....	26.25	16	29.25	20	31.75	23.5	34.25	23	34.75	24
Sharon, Pa. S4 (‡)	26.5	−0.25	19.50	+4.25	12.5	+8.5	....	...	....	...	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sharon, Pa. M6	...	...	....	...	....	....	26.25	11	29.25	15	31.75	18.5	34.25	19.25	34.75	20.25
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2 (§)	24.5	+1.75	17.5	+6.25	10.5	+10.5	24.25	8	27.25	12	29.75	15.5	32.25	16.5	32.75	17.5
Youngstown R2 (**)	...	...	....	...	....	....	26.25	12	29.25	16	31.75	19.5	34.25	20.0	34.75	21.0
Youngstown Y1 (††)	...	...	....	...	....	....	26.25	10	29.25	14	31.75	17.5	34.25	18.5	34.75	19.5
Wheatland, Pa. W9 (§)	24.5	+1.75	17.5	+6.25	10.5	+10.5	26.25	10	29.25	14	31.75	17.5	34.25	18.5	34.75	19.5

Size—Inches	2		2½		3		3½		4	
List Per Ft	37c		58.5c		76.5c		92c		$1.09	
Pounds Per Ft	3.68		5.82		7.62		9.20		10.89	
	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv	Blk	Galv
Aliquippa, Pa. J5 (‡)	35.25	20	36.75	20	36.75	20	....	....	....	....
Alton, Ill. L1 (§)	33.25	18.75	34.75	18	34.75	18	....	....	....	....
Benwood, W.Va. W10(††)	35.25	20.75	36.75	20.5	36.75	20.5	27.75	11	27.75	11
Etna, Pa. N2 (†)	35.25	17.25	36.75	18.5	36.75	18.5	27.75	9	27.75	9
Fairless, Pa. N3	33.25	....	34.75	....	34.75	....	25.75	....	25.75	....
Fontana, Calif. K1 (§)	22.25	7	23.75	7	23.75	7	....	....	....	....
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1 (††)	34.25	19	35.75	19	35.75	19	....	....	....	....
Lorain, O. N3 (*)	35.25	24.5	36.75	23	36.75	23	....	....	....	....
Sharon, Pa. M6	35.25	20.75	36.75	20.5	36.75	20.5	....	....	....	....
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2 (§)	32.25	18	34.75	18	34.75	18	25.75	8.5	25.75	8.5
Youngstown R2 (**)	35.25	21.5	36.75	21.0	36.75	21.0	27.75	11.5	27.75	11.5
Youngstown Y1 (††)	35.25	20	36.75	20	36.75	20	....	....	....	....
Wheatland, Pa. W9 (‡)	35.25	20	36.75	20	36.75	20	....	....	....	....

Galvanized pipe discounts based on zinc price of: (†), 14c; (‡), 11c to under 12c; (*), 5c; (§), 10c to under 11c; (††), 10.50c-11.50c; (**), 9.50c; with discounts adjusted on price of zinc at time of shipment.

BOILER TUBES

Net base c.l. prices, dollar per 100 ft, mill; minimum wall thickness, cut lengths 10 to 24 ft, inclusive.

O.D. In	B.W. Gage	Seamless H.R.	Seamless C.D.	Elec. Weld H.R.
1	13	....	19.02	18.44
1¼	13		22.53	18.12
1½	13	20.65	24.91	20.01
1¾	13	24.40	29.43	23.66
2	13	27.34	32.98	26.51
2¼	13	30.80	37.15	29.86
2¼	12	33.43	40.32	32.41
2½	12	36.82	44.41	35.70
2¾	12	39.87	48.09	38.66
3	12	42.52	51.28	41.23

RAILWAY MATERIALS

RAILS	Std. No. 1	Std. No. 2	Std. All No. 2	Tee Rails 60 lb Under
Bessemer,Pa. U5	4.325	4.225	4.275	5.20
Ensley,Ala. T2	4.325	4.225	....	5.20
Fairfield,Ala. T2	....	....	....	5.20
Gary,Ind. U5	4.325	4.225	4.275	...
Huntington,W.Va. W7	....	....	....	5.20
IndianaHarbor,Ind. I-2	4.325	4.225	4.275	...
Johnstown,Pa. B2	....	....	....(16)	5.20
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2	4.325	4.225	....	5.20
Minnequa,Colo. C10	4.325	4.125	....	5.70
Steelton,Pa. B2	4.325	4.225	....	...
Williamsport,Pa. S19	....	....	....	5.20

TIE PLATES

Fairfield,Ala. T2	5.125
Gary,Ind. U5	5.125
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2	5.125
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2	5.125
Minnequa,Colo. C10	5.125
Pittsburg,Calif. C11	5.275
Seattle B3	5.275
Steelton,Pa. B2	5.125
Torrance,Calif. C11	5.275

TRACK BOLTS (20) Treated

Cleveland R2	11.00
KansasCity, Mo. S5	11.00
Lebanon,Pa. B2	11.00
Minnequa,Colo. C10	11.00
Pittsburgh O3, P14	11.00

JOINT BARS

Bessemer,Pa. U5	5.275
Fairfield,Ala. T2	5.275
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2	5.275
Joliet,Ill. U5	5.275
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2	5.275
Minnequa,Colo. C10	5.275
Steelton,Pa. B2	5.275

AXLES

Ind.Harbor,Ind. S13	6.50
Johnstown,Pa. B2	6.50

STANDARD TRACK SPIKES

Fairfield,Ala. T2	7.05
ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1	7.05
KansasCity,Mo. S5	7.30
Lebanon,Pa. B2	7.05
Minnequa,Colo. C10	7.05
Pittsburgh J5	7.05
Seattle B3	7.55
So.Chicago,Ill. R2	7.05
Struthers,O. Y1	7.05
Youngstown R2	7.05

RIVETS

F.o.b. Cleveland, and/or freight equalized with Pittsburgh, f.o.b. Chicago, and/or freight equalized with Birmingham except where equalization is too great.

Structural ½-in., larger	8.90c
⅞-in. under	26.5 off

WASHERS, WROUGHT

F.o.b. shipping point, to jobbers	List

BOLTS, NUTS

CARRIAGE, MACHINE BOLTS

(F.o.b. midwestern plants, per cent off list for less than case lots to consumers)

6 in. and shorter:	
½-in. & smaller diam.	4
⅝-in. & ⅞-in.	5
1-in. and larger	3
Longer than 6 in.:	
All diams.	+4
Lag bolts, all diams.:	
6 in. and shorter	12
Over 6 in. long	8
Ribbed Necked Carriage	5
Blank	2
Plow	25
Step, Elevator, Tap and Sleigh Shoe	12
Tire Bolts	List
Boiler & Fitting-Up Bolts	23

NUTS

H.P. & C.P., regular & heavy:	
Square, all sizes	58
H.P., Hex, regular & heavy:	
⅝" and smaller	58
¾" to 1⅛", inclusive	60
1¼" to 1½", inclusive	62
1⅝" and larger	58
C.P. Hex, regular heavy:	
All sizes	58
Hot Galv. Nuts (all types):	
¾" and smaller	40
⅞" to 1½", inclusive	43
Finished Hex Nuts:	
New standard, all sizes	58
Semifinished & Slotted Hex.:	
Regular and heavy, all sizes	58

SQUARE HEAD SET SCREWS

(Packaged; per cent off list)

1 in. diam. x 6 in. and shorter	34
1 in. and smaller diam. x over 6 in.	20

HEADLESS SET SCREWS

(Packaged; per cent off list)

No. 10 and smaller	34
¼-in. diam. & larger	14
N.F. thread, all diams.	8

STEEL STOVE BOLTS

(F.o.b. plant, per cent off list in packages)

Plain finish	47.5 & 10
Plated finishes	30 & 10

HEXAGON CAP SCREWS

(1020 steel; packaged; per cent off list)

6 in. or shorter:	
⅝-in. & smaller	38
¾-in. through 1 in.	22
Longer than 6 in.:	
⅝-in. and smaller	20
¾-in. through 1 in.	7

METAL POWDERS

(Per pound, f.o.b. shipping point in ton lots for minus 100 mesh, except as otherwise noted)

Sponge Iron:	Cents
98+% Fe, annealed	18.00
Unannealed	
Minus 100 mesh	14.50
Minus 35 mesh	10.50
Minus 20 mesh	10.00
Swedish, c.i.f. N.Y., c.l., in bags	11.25
Domestic (Swedish), f.o.b. Riverton, N.J., in bags	11.25
Electrolytic iron:	
Melting stock, 99.91% Fe, irregular fragments of ⅛ in. x 1.3 in.	23.00
Annealed, 99.5% Fe	42.50
Unannealed (99+% Fe)	36.50
Unannealed (99+% Fe) (minus 325 mesh)	53.50
Powder Flakes (minus 16, plus 100 mesh)	31.00
Carbonyl Iron:	
97.9-99.8% size 5 to 10 microns	83.00-148.00
Aluminum:	
Atomized, 500 lb drums, freight allowed:	
Carlots	31.00
Ton lots	34.00
Antimony, 500 lb lots	32.00*
Brass, ¼-ton lots	28.75-37.50†
Bronze, ¼-ton lots	50.00-60.00†
Copper:	
Electrolytic	13.50*
Reduced	13.50*
Lead	7.50*
Magnesium	54.00-56.00
Manganese:	
Minus 35 mesh	61.00
Minus 100 mesh	67.00
Minus 200 mesh	72.00
Nickel, unannealed	89.50
Nickel-Silver, ¼-ton lots	44.00-49.00‡
Nickel-Silver, ¼-ton lots	46.75**
Phosphor-Bronze, ¼-ton lots	58.50
Silicon	43.50
Solder	8.50*
Stainless Steel, 302	91.00
Tin	14.50*
Zinc, ¼-ton lots	15.00-28.75†
Tungsten	Dollars
Melting grade, 99% 60 to 200 mesh; 1000 lb and over	4.95
Less than 1000 lb	5.10
Chromium, electrolytic 99.9% Cr min.	3.50

*Plus cost of metal. †Depending on composition. ‡Depending on mesh. §70% Cu, 20% Zn, 10% Sn. **64% Cu, 18% Zn, 18% Sn.

Footnotes

(1) Chicago base.
(2) Angles, flat, bands.
(3) Merchant.
(4) Reinforcing.
(5) 1⅜" to 1 7/16"; 1 7/16" to 1 15/16" 4.58c; 1 15/16" to 2 5/16" 4.95c.
(6) Chicago or Birm. base.
(7) To jobbers, 3 cols. lower
(8) 16 gage and heavier.
(9) 6 in. and narrower.
(10) Pittsburgh base.
(11) Cleveland & Pitts. base.
(12) Worcester, Mass. base.
(13) Add 0.25c for 17 Ga. & heavier.
(14) Gage 0.143 to 0.249 in.; for gage 0.142 and lighter, 5.80c.
(15) ⅜" and thinner.
(16) 40 lb and under.
(17) Flats only; 0.25 in. & heavier.
(18) To dealers.
(19) Chicago & Pitts. base.
(20) 0.25c off for untreated.
(21) New Haven, Conn., base.
(22) Del. San Francisco Bay area.
(23) 20 Ga. 36" wide.
(24) Deduct 0.10c, finer than 15 Ga.
(25) Bar mill bands.
(26) Reinforcing mill lengths, to fabricators; to consumers, 5.40c.
(27) Bar mill sizes.
(28) Bonderized.
(29) Youngstown base.
(30) Sheared; for universal mill add 0.45c for carbon and 0.35c for H.S.-L.A.
(31) Base; deld. within mill county.
(32) To jobbers, deduct 20c.
(34) 9.60c for cut lengths.
(35) 72" and narrower.
(36) 54" and narrower.
(37) 13 gage & lighter: 60" & narrower.
(38) 14 gage & lighter: 48" and narrower.
(39) 48" and narrower.
(40) Lighter than 0.035"; 0.035" and heavier, 0.25c higher.
(41) 9.10c for cut lengths.
(48) 6.7 gage.
(49) T-post; deduct 2 cols for U-post.

STAINLESS STEEL MILL PRICES

(Representative prices, cents per pound; subject to current lists of extras)

AISI Type	Rerolling Ingots	Rerolling Slabs, Billets	Forging Billets	Seamless Tube Billets	H.R. Strip	Shapes; H.R. & C.F. Bars; Wire	Plates	Sheets	C.R. Strip; Flat Wire
301	16.25	20.50	29.50	34.25	29.75	35.25	37.25	46.25	38.25
302	17.25	22.75	29.75	34.50	32.00	35.50	37.50	46.50	41.50
302B	18.50	24.50	30.50	34.50	35.00	35.50	37.50	48.75	44.75
303	18.75	24.75	32.25	37.25	36.75	38.25	39.75	48.75	45.50
304	18.25	23.75	31.00	36.00	34.25	37.25	39.75	48.75	43.75
304L	....	....	36.75	....	....	42.75	45.25	54.25	49.00
306	19.50	25.50	....	36.25	37.00	37.50	42.00	51.75	46.75
308	19.75	26.25	35.25	40.75	38.00	42.00	46.00	55.25	48.00
309	26.50	34.75	43.25	49.25	49.25	50.50	53.75	63.50	62.00
309S	28.50	37.50	47.50	54.50	54.00	55.50	59.00	68.50	68.50
310	33.00	43.25	56.75	66.25	67.50	67.50	69.00	72.25	78.75
314	....	....	....	....	....	....	69.00	74.50	....
316	28.00	36.25	46.75	54.50	55.00	55.50	59.00	64.50	66.50
316L	....	....	52.50	....	....	61.00	64.25	70.00	72.00
317	33.00	43.50	58.25	66.75	67.50	68.25	70.75	77.00	79.25
318	33.50	44.00	55.25	64.50	66.25	65.50	68.75	78.00	80.25
321	22.75	29.50	35.25	40.75	42.00	42.00	46.00	55.50	54.50
330	....	....	58.00	....	....	68.50	70.00	73.75	77.75
347	24.50	32.25	39.50	45.75	46.50	46.75	51.25	60.75	59.25
403	....	....	27.00	30.75	....	32.00	34.25	44.00	41.25
405	16.50	21.75	25.25	29.25	30.50	30.25	31.75	42.50	39.75
410	14.00	18.25	24.00	27.75	26.25	28.75	30.00	40.75	34.25
416	....	....	24.50	28.25	....	29.25	30.50	41.25	41.25
420	22.00	28.50	29.25	34.00	35.50	35.00	38.50	49.25	52.75
430	14.25	18.50	24.50	28.25	27.00	29.25	30.50	43.50	34.75
430F	....	18.75	25.00	28.75	....	29.75	31.00	44.00	44.00
431	14.50	28.50	25.00	28.25	27.50	29.25	30.50	44.00	35.25
440A,B,C	....	28.50	29.25	34.00	....	35.00	38.50	49.25	52.75
442	....	....	28.00	....	....	30.50	35.25	48.25	47.75
446	....	....	33.75	38.25	53.00	39.50	40.75	59.75	71.00
501	....	....	14.00	14.50	21.25	16.00	18.25	30.50	29.00
502	....	....	15.25	16.00	22.25	17.00	20.00	31.75	30.00

Stainless Steel Producers Are: Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.; Alloy Metal Wire Co. Inc.; American Steel & Wire Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Armco Steel Corp.; Babcock & Wilcox Co.; Bethlehem Steel Co.; J. Bishop & Co.; G. O. Carlson Inc.; Carpenter Steel Co.; Charter Wire Products Co.; Cold Metal Products Co.; Crucible Steel Co. of America; Damascus Tube Co.; Wilbur B. Driver Co.; Driver-Harris Co.; Eastern Stainless Steel Corp.; Ellwood Ivins Steel Tube Works Inc.; Firth Sterling Inc.; Ft. Wayne Metals Inc.; Globe Steel Tubes Co.; Helical Tube Co.; Indiana Steel & Wire Co.; Ingersoll Steel Div., Borg Warner Corp.; Jessop Steel Co.; Johnson Steel & Wire Co. Inc.; Joslyn Mfg. & Supply Co.; Kenmore Metals Corp.; Maryland Fine & Specialty Wire Co.; McLouth Steel Corp.; Metal Forming Corp.; McInnes Steel Co.; National-Standard Co.; National Tube Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Newman-Crosby Steel Co.; Pacific Tube Co.; Page Steel & Wire Div., American Chain & Cable Co. Inc.; Pittsburgh Rolling Mills Inc.; Republic Steel Corp.; Rodney Metals Inc.; Rome Mfg. Co.; Rotary Electric Steel Co.; Sharon Steel Corp.; Shenango Agaloy Tube Co.; Simonds Saw & Steel Co.; Specialty Wire Co. Inc.; Spencer Wire Corp.; Stainless Welded Products Inc.; Standard Tube Co.; Superior Steel Corp.; Superior Tube Co.; Timken Roller Bearing Co.; Trent Tube Co.; Tube Methods Inc.; Fred Ulbrich & Sons; United States Steel Corp.; Universal-Cyclops Steel Co.; Wallingford Steel Co.; Washington Steel Corp.

CLAD STEEL

Cladding Stainless	Plates, Carbon Base 10%	Plates, Carbon Base 20%	Sheets, Carbon Base 20%	Sheets, Copper Base Both Sides
302	....	31.00	31.00	77.00
304	27.60	32.50-32.70	32.50	77.00
310	36.50	41.00	.....	144.00
316	32.60	37.70-42.75	42.75	....
318	37.00	42.20	.....	....
321	29.30	34.40-37.00	37.00	111.00
347	30.40	35.50-40.50	40.50	130.00
405	23.40	30.60	.....	....
410	22.90	30.10	.....	....
430	22.90	30.10	.....	....
Inconel	41.23	54.18	.....	165.00
Nickel	37.50	50.90	.....	....
Monel	38.90	51.80	.....	....
Copper*	....	.....	46.00	....

	Strip, Carbon Base, Cold-Rolled 10%	Strip, Carbon Base, Cold-Rolled Both Sides	Strip, Carbon Base, Hot-Rolled 10%	Strip, Carbon Base, Hot-Rolled Both Sides
Copper*	....	.....	46.00	....

*Deoxidized. Production point: Stainless sheets, New Castle, Ind. I-4; stainless-clad plates, Claymont, Del. C22, Coatesville, Pa. L7, New Castle, Ind. I-4 and Washington, Pa. J3; nickel, inconel, monel-clad plates, Coatesville L7; copper-clad strip, Carnegie, Pa. S18. Production point for copper-base sheets is Carnegie, Pa. A13.

TOOL STEEL

Grade	$ per lb	Grade	$ per lb
Regular Carbon	0.25	5% Cr Hot Work	0.39
Extra Carbon	0.30	W-Cr Hot Work	0.41
Special Carbon	0.355	V-Cr Hot Work	0.42-.43
Oil Hardening	0.37-.390	Hi-Carbon-Cr	0.665-.70

Grade by Analysis (%) W	Cr	V	Co	Mo	$ per lb
20.25	4.25	1.6	12.25	....	3.875
18.25	4.25	1	4.75	....	2.160-2.320
18	4	2	9	....	2.515
18	4	2	....	....	1.640
18	4	1	....	....	1.480
13.5	4	3	....	....	1.735
6.4	4.5	1.9	....	5	1.005-1.055
6	4	3	....	6	1.240
2	1.4	1.2	....	....	0.495
1.5	4	1	....	8.5	0.865-0.895

Tool Steel producers include: A4, A8, B2, B8, C4, C9, C13, C18, D4, F2, J3, L3, M14, S8, U4, V2 and V3.

PIG IRON Gross Ton

F.o.b. furnace prices in dollars per gross ton, as reported to STEEL. Minimum delivered prices are approximate and do not include 3% federal tax.

	Basic	No. 2 Foundry	Malleable	Bessemer
Birmingham District				
AlabamaCity R2	52.38	52.88	....	....
Birmingham R2	52.38	52.88	....	....
Birmingham U6	....	52.88	....	....
Woodward,Ala. W15	52.38	52.88	56.50†	....
Cincinnati, del.	....	60.43	....	....
Buffalo District				
Buffalo R2, H1	56.00	56.50	57.00	....
Tonawanda,N.Y. W12	56.00	56.50	57.00	....
No. Tonawanda,N.Y. T9	....	56.50	57.00	....
Boston, del.	66.65	67.15	67.65	....
Rochester,N.Y., del.	59.02	59.52	60.02	....
Syracuse,N.Y., del.	60.12	60.62	61.12	....
Chicago District				
Chicago I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Gary,Ind. U5	56.00	....	56.50	....
IndianaHarbor,Ind. I-2	56.00	....	56.50	....
So.Chicago,Ill. W14, Y1	56.00	56.50	56.50	....
So.Chicago,Ill. U5	56.00	....	56.50	57.00
Milwaukee, del.	58.17	58.67	58.67	59.17
Muskegon,Mich., del.	....	62.80	62.80	....
Cleveland District				
Cleveland A7	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Cleveland R2	56.00	56.50	56.50	....
Akron,O., del. from Cleve.	58.75	59.25	59.25	59.75
Lorain,O. N3	56.00	....	....	57.00
Mid-Atlantic District				
Bethlehem,Pa. B2	58.00	58.50	59.00	59.50
New York, del.	....	62.28	62.78	....
Newark, del.	61.02	61.52	62.02	62.52
Birdsboro,Pa. B10	58.00	58.50	....	....
Steelton,Pa. B2	58.00	58.50	59.00	59.50
Swedeland,Pa. A3	58.00	58.50	59.00	59.50
Philadelphia, del.	59.66	60.16	60.66	61.16
Troy,N.Y. R2	58.00	58.50	59.00	....
Pittsburgh District				
Nevillelsland,Pa. P6	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Pittsburgh (N&S sides), Ambridge, Aliquippa, del.	57.37	57.87	57.87	58.37
McKeesRocks, del.	57.04	57.54	57.54	58.04
Lawrenceville,Homestead, Wilmerding,Monaco, del.	57.66	58.16	58.16	58.66
Verona,Trafford, del.	58.19	58.69	58.69	59.19
Brackenridge, del.	58.45	58.95	58.95	59.45
Bessemer,Pa. U5	56.00	....	56.50	57.00
Clairton,Rankin,So.Duquesne,Pa. U5	56.00	....	....	....
McKeesport,Pa. N3	56.00	....	....	57.00
Midland,Pa. C18	56.00	....	....	....
Monessen,Pa. P7	56.00	....	....	....
Youngstown District				
Hubbard,O. Y1	....	....	56.50	....
Sharpsville,Pa. S6	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Youngstown Y1	....	....	56.50	57.00
Youngstown U5	56.00	....	....	57.00
Mansfield,O., del.	60.90	....	61.40	61.90
Duluth I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Erie,Pa. I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Everett,Mass. E1	62.50	63.00	63.50	....
Fontana,Calif. K1	62.00	62.50	....	....
Geneva,Utah C11	56.00	56.50	....	....
GraniteCity,Ill. G4	57.90	58.40	58.90	....
Ironton,Utah C11	56.00	56.50	....	....
LoneStar,Texas L6	52.00	52.50*	52.50	....
Minnequa,Colo. C10	58.00	59.00	59.00	....
Rockwood,Tenn. T3	....	....	56.50	....
Toledo,O. I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Cincinnati, del.	61.76	62.26	....	....

*Low phos. southern grade. †Phos., 0.30 max.

PIG IRON DIFFERENTIALS

Silicon: Add 50 cents per ton for each 0.25% Si or percentage thereof over base grade, 1.75-2.25%, except on low phos iron on which base is 1.75-2.00%.

Phosphorus: Deduct 38 cents per ton for P content of 0.70% and over.

Manganese: Add 50 cents per ton for each 0.50% manganese over 1% or portion thereof.

Nickel: Under 0.50% no extra; 0.50-0.74%, incl., add $2 per ton and each additional 0.25%, add $1 per ton.

BLAST FURNACE SILVERY PIG IRON, Gross Ton

(Base 6.0-6.50% silicon; add $1.50 for each 0.5% Si; 75 cents for each 0.5% Mn over 1%)

Jackson,O. G2, J1	$67.00
Buffalo H1	68.25

ELECTRIC FURNACE SILVERY PIG IRON, Gross Ton

(Base 14.01-14.50% silicon; add $1 for each 0.5% Si to 18%; $1.45 for each 0.5% Mn over 1%; $2 per gross ton premium for 0.045% max P)	
NiagaraFalls, N.Y. P15	$87.50
Keokuk,Iowa, Openhearth & Fdry, freight allowed K2	92.00
Keokuk, OH & Fdry, 12½ lb piglets, 16% Si, frt, allowed K2	95.00
Wenatchee,Wash. OH & Fdry, freight allowed K2	92.00

LOW PHOSPHORUS PIG IRON, Gross Ton

Cleveland, intermediate, A7	$61.00
Rockwood,Tenn. T3	70.00
Steelton,Pa. B2	64.00
Philadelphia, del.	64.00
Troy,N.Y. R2	64.00

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	SHEETS			STRIP		BARS			Standard Structural Shapes	PLATES	
	Hot Rolled	Cold Rolled	Gal. 10 Ga.†	H.R.*	C.R.*	H.R. Rds.	C.F. Rds.‡	H.R. Alloy 4140††§		Carbon	Floor
Baltimore	6.20	7.12	7.36	7.00	...	6.86	8.17¶	12.04	6.98	6.85	7.98
Birmingham	6.10	7.00	8.00‡	6.30	...	6.15	8.90	....	6.35	6.35	8.25
Boston	6.89	7.83	9.18	7.13	...	6.87	8.35	12.28	7.06	7.13	8.26
Buffalo	6.18	7.15	8.65	6.79	...	6.35	7.70	12.17	6.59	6.68	7.88
Charlotte, N. C.	6.95	7.80	8.69	6.90	...	7.10	8.37	....	7.10	7.10	8.37
Chicago	6.18	7.12	7.95	6.42	...	6.28	7.30	11.75	6.46	6.33	7.46
Cincinnati	6.51	7.19	7.95	6.72	...	6.58	7.66	12.17	6.93	6.80	7.88
Cleveland	6.18	7.12	7.90	6.58	...	6.34	7.40	11.89	6.79	6.50	7.79
Detroit	6.38	7.31	8.22	6.71	7.36	6.56	7.60	12.12	6.93	6.80	7.80
Erie, Pa.	6.13	...	8.15	6.38	...	6.23	7.50¶	....	6.50	6.36	7.79
Houston	7.15	7.60	9.40	7.45	9.30	7.45	9.30	....	7.35	7.20	8.55
Los Angeles	7.25	9.00	9.35	7.55	11.20	7.15	9.10	13.05	7.35	7.20	9.25
Milwaukee	6.35	7.29	8.12	6.59	...	6.45	7.57	11.92	6.63	6.50	7.63
Moline, Ill.	6.53	7.47	8.35	6.77	...	6.63	7.65	....	6.81	6.68	...
New York	6.78	7.75	8.37	7.16	...	7.06	8.43¶	12.14	6.90	6.99	8.30
Norfolk, Va.	6.90	...	...	7.20	...	7.20	8.50	....	7.20	7.15	7.86
Philadelphia	6.35	7.13	8.16	7.02	8.80	6.87	8.19¶	11.89	6.67	6.63	7.65**
Pittsburgh	6.18	7.12	8.00	6.55	...	6.28	7.65	11.89	6.46	6.33	7.46
Portland, Oreg.	7.90	8.45	9.15	7.65	...	7.35	10.65	....	7.25	7.30	9.15
Richmond, Va.	6.50	7.45	8.00	7.10	...	7.05	7.95	....	7.10	6.85	8.10
St. Louis	6.48	7.42	8.25	6.72	...	6.58	7.70	12.05	6.86	6.73	7.86
St. Paul	6.84	7.78	8.66	7.08	...	6.94	8.06	....	7.12	6.99	8.12
San Francisco	7.35	8.70	9.30	7.60	...	7.15	9.75	13.05	7.25	7.20	9.25
Seattle	8.15	9.50	9.80	8.00	...	7.60	10.65	13.50	7.50	7.60	9.40
Spokane	8.15	9.40†	9.80	7.60	...	7.60	10.55§	14.15	7.25	7.35	9.40
Washington	6.71	8.15	8.35	7.51	...	7.37	8.43	....	7.49	7.36	8.49

*Prices do not include gage extras; †prices include gage and coating extras, except Birmingham (coating extra excluded) and Los Angeles (gage extras excluded); ‡includes 35-cent special bar quality extra; §as rolled; **⅛-in. and heavier, add 0.35c for 12 gage and lighter. ††as annealed. Base quantities, 2000 to 9999 lb except as noted: Cold-rolled strip, and cold-finished bars, 2000 lb and over, except in Seattle where base is 2000 to 9999 lb; ‡—500 to 9999 lb; §—1000 to 1999 lb; ¶—1000 lb and over; †—1500 lb to 3999; ¶—under ½ in.

Warehouses Still Await Buying Pickup

Order volume not up to seasonal expectations with users still reducing inventories. Sluggishness reflected in continued shading of extras at some points

Philadelphia — Warehouse prices continue to reflect shading in extras, particularly quantity extras, and may soon show a reduction in base prices. Lower railroad freight rates, scheduled for last Friday, will undoubtedly be one factor in the revision of base prices. Meanwhile, warehouse business has been at least sustained, although there has not been the increase in the daily rate anticipated by some for March. Shapes and cold-rolled sheets appear in best demand.

Cleveland—Local distributors report they are booking orders in fair volume but that tonnage is not up to expectations for this season. Some gains in buying of building steel are noted, and this trend is expected to increase as the season advances. Prices on secondary material are being shaded and this is cause for some instability pricewise in the prime market. However, except for freight absorption, standard prices on prime items are holding as a general thing.

Pittsburgh—Sales show a slim increase from February totals at some distributors, while others expect no gains until April. Seasonal increases in sales have not been as large as expected. Distributors are continuing to trim inventories of slow-moving items. Most ordering is on a day-to-day basis.

Chicago—Warehouse sales volume holds steady although it lacks indications of an upturn soon. There is plenty of optimism that it will come, however. It is pointed out consumers still are doing considerable inventory reducing and end of this approaches. Another encouraging sign is that hard goods manufacturers are figuring on a substantial amount of business and are hopeful of getting a reasonable part of it signed up.

Los Angeles—Warehouse activity is higher and March inquiries are 5 to 10 per cent more numerous than in February. Price shading by smaller warehouses is not enough to dis-

STEEL IMPORT PRICES

(Base, per 100 lb, landed, duty paid)

	North Atlantic	South Atlantic	Gulf Coast	West Coast
Deformed Bars, Intermediate, ASTM-A-305	$4.75	$4.85	$4.75	$5.00
Bar Size Angles	4.39	4.49	4.39	4.67
Structural Angles	4.39	4.49	4.39	4.67
I-Beams	4.39	4.49	4.39	4.67
Wide Flange Beams	4.94	5.02	4.94	5.22
Sheet and Plate, 10 gage, 11 gage, 5' x 10'	5.87	5.95	5.87	6.25
Furring Channels, C.R., 1000 ft, ¾ x 0.30 lb per ft	25.00	25.70	26.50	26.34
Barbed Wire	6.20	6.30	6.20	6.48
Merchant Bars	4.65	4.75	4.65	4.93
Hot Rolled Bands	4.65	4.75	4.65	4.93
Wire Rods, Thomas Commercial No. 5	4.77	4.84	4.82	5.09
Wire Rods, O-H, Cold Heading Quality No. 5	5.23	5.30	5.28	5.55
Channels	4.49	4.59	4.49	4.77
Bright Common Wire Nails, 8d	6.55	6.65	6.60	6.85

Size O.D.	Wgt/Foot/Lb	Gulf Port	West Coast	Vancouver
Seamless A.P.I. Casing, Grade J-55:				
5½ in.	15.5	$1.47/ft	$1.51/ft	$1.32/ft
7 in.	23	2.10/ft	2.17/ft	1.90/ft
Seamless N-80 Casing:				
5½ in.	17	1.94/ft	2.00/ft	1.75/ft
7 in.	23	2.50/ft	2.70/ft	2.36/ft
Seamless J-55 Tubing:				
2⅜ in.	4.7	0.60/ft	0.63/ft	0.55/ft
2⅞ in.	6.5	0.80/ft	0.83/ft	0.73/ft

Sources of shipment: Western continental European (Schuman Plan) countries.

turb the general price structure. April is expected to show a sharp rise in activity.

Boston—First quarter steel warehouse sales are disappointing, off 30 to 40 per cent from the first three months, 1953. Decline in tonnage has been accompanied by price easing in some products, including flat-rolled. Smaller size of the average order marked return of normal mill buying by many consumers. Number of orders is substantial, but they are small, tending to add to distribution costs.

At the current rate of sales, inventories of distributors of more standard carbon products, including sheets, are large and they are placing orders with suppliers sparingly. March sales on a day-to-day basis improved little compared with the previous month.

January Steel Shipments Up

New York—Shipments of finished steel in January to the automotive, farm implement and container industries were higher than shipments to those industries in December, reports the American Iron & Steel Institute.

January shipments totaled 5,727,600 net tons, approximately 43,000 tons more than in the previous month.

Shipments to the automotive industry in January were 1,122,505 tons, nearly 300,000 tons more than in December and the highest total since September. Shipments to farm equipment makers amounted to 82,208 tons, the largest since October, while shipments to container makers at 502,024 tons were the largest since August. Electrical equipment took 158,173 tons in January, slightly more than in December.

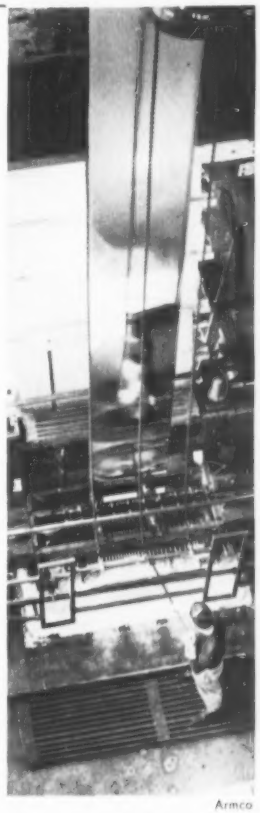
Direct shipments of steel to the construction industry totaled 774,913 tons, about 75,000 less than in December. This was the only classification to show an increase over one year earlier, the gain being 1800 tons.

Although total shipments of steel products for railroad use were lighter than in any month last year, at 360,012 tons, the shipments of heavy rails were unusually large at 170,935 tons, compared with a monthly average of 155,545 tons in 1953. Shipments of structural shapes, electrolytic tin plate, cold-rolled sheets and oil country pipe constituted larger proportions of total shipments in January than in 1953 as a whole.

Warehouses took 982,531 tons of steel in January, compared with an average of over 1,200,000 tons a month last year.

CONTINUOUS HOT-DIP GALVANIZING LINES GROW

Companies	No. Lines	Location
In Operation		
Armco Steel Corp.	2	Butler, Pa.
Armco Steel Corp.	2	Middletown, O.
Bethlehem Steel Co.	1	Sparrows Point, Md.
Columbia-Geneva Steel Div., U. S. Steel Corp.	1	Pittsburg, Calif.
Inland Steel Co.	1	Indiana Harbor, Ind.
Sharon Steel Corp.	1	Farrell, Pa.
Tennessee Coal & Iron Div., U. S. Steel Corp.	3	Fairfield, Ala.
U. S. Steel Corp.	1	Gary, Ind.
U. S. Steel Corp.	2	Irvin Works, Dravosburg, Pa.
Weirton Steel Co.	2	Weirton, W. Va.
Wheeling Steel Corp.	1	Martins Ferry, O.
Under Construction		
Armco Steel Corp. (operation in Aug.)	2	Ashland, Ky.
Inland Steel Co. (operation in May)	1	Indiana Harbor, Ind.
U. S. Steel Corp.	1	Gary, Ind.
Being Considered		
Bethlehem Steel Co.	—	Sparrows Point, Md.
Columbia-Geneva Steel Div., U. S. Steel Corp.	1	Pittsburg, Calif.
Republic Steel Corp.	1	Cleveland, O.
Wheeling Steel Corp.	1	Martins Ferry, O.



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Continuous Galvanizing: New Lines of Business

By ROBERT M. LOVE
Pittsburgh Editor

STEEL EXPANSION is entering a new phase now that most producers have completed increases in ingot capacities. Plans center on expansion of finishing facilities, such as continuous galvanizing of sheets. Topmost in industry's planning is broadening the sales potential.

Several steelmakers report new lines for continuous galvanizing furnish this needed widening of sales. Wide range of galvanized sheet consumers shows extent of customers attracted by new lines.

Best Customers—"Chief users of galvanized sheet products include agricultural equipment makers, producers of agricultural roofing and siding, culverts and drainage systems," comments James Barton, manager of sheet and strip sales, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh. "Producers of containers, downspouts, pails and buckets use galvanized sheet. Industrial plants use the sheet for external applications."

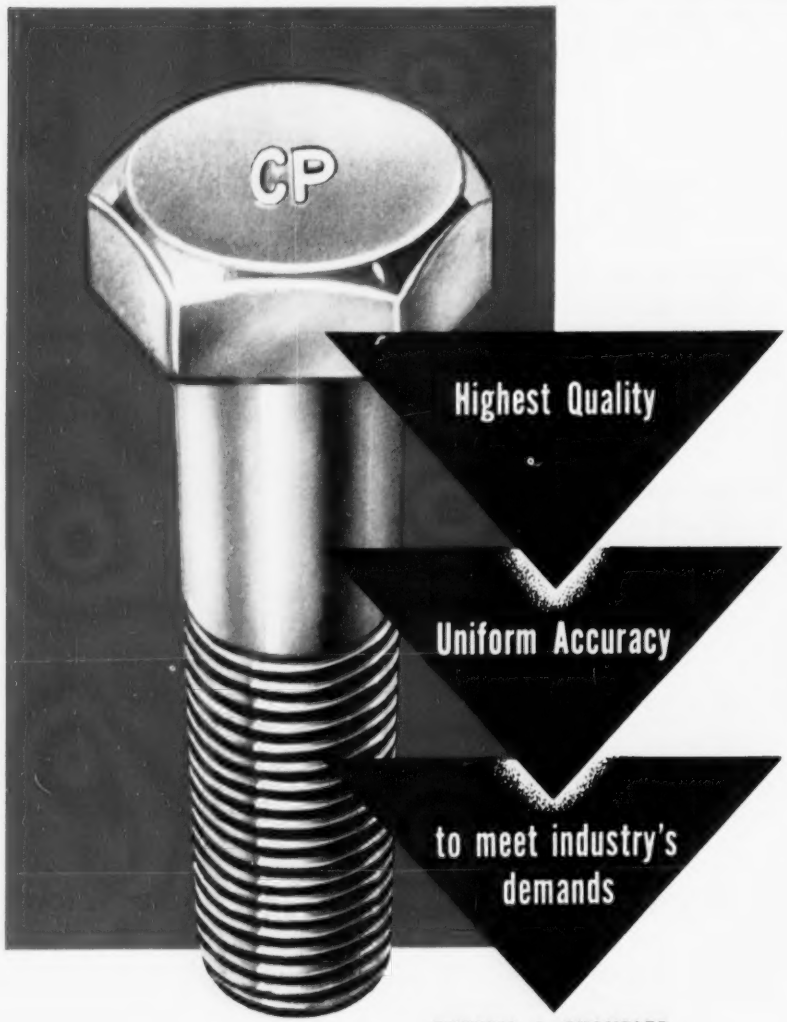
Pointing out advantages of the continuous galvanized product, officials of Sharon Steel Corp., Sharon, Pa., say, "Our hot-dipped, zinc-coated steel has high resistance to atmospheric corrosion and provides an excellent surface for paint."

Various Means—The steel industry uses three main methods to galvanize sheets. Hot-dipping of individual sheets and electrolytic coating of sheet on a continuous line are both in use. A later development, continuous hot-dip galvanizing, now accounts for the bulk of production and most new capacity.

Although continuous processes differ, most start with a full hard coil of steel. The unwinding coil is cleaned, heated and bathed in zinc. After coating, the strip is cooled and coiled or sheared.

Shipments Increase — American Iron & Steel Institute statistics show 2,290,868 net tons of galvanized sheets were shipped in 1953, compared with 1,984,961 tons in 1951.

Nine of 17 makers of galvanized



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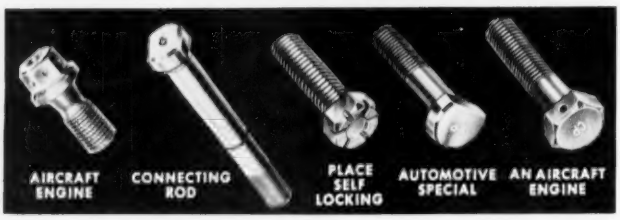

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sheets have continuous lines. Several additional lines are under construction, and others are being considered (see accompanying table).

"With completion of new units the industry will have an annual capacity of well over 1 million tons per year in continuous galvanized sheets," says E. F. Lundeen, assistant superintendent, quality control department, Inland Steel. Other estimates place continuous capacity slightly over 50 per cent of total galvanizing capacity.

Advantages—Why the accent on continuous galvanizing in new installations? Nelson E. Cook, general superintendent of galvanizing operations, Wheeling Steel, replies, "More uniform coatings are possible in continuous methods. Zinc metal is more effectively used. There are no front or 'drip' ends after the coating."

"Continuous coating of strip steel can be done at greatly increased speed with greater production per man-hour," Mr. Cook continues. Availability of the product in coil is another advantage of the continuous process.

Criticism—Says a skeptic, "We agree that the coating process is tighter for the working of most products, but we do not feel enough zinc is applied to the sheet in the continuous process. Rolls may squeeze off part of the coating. Individual dipping gives a better coating."

Against this criticism continuous galvanizers point to improvements in their product. They say extremely tight coatings can be achieved by using a small amount of aluminum in the zinc bath. Their product is well suited for stamping and drawing operations, they emphasize while predicting that nearly all galvanizing soon will be done by the continuous method.

Proved by Test—With successful applications to its credit in drawing and stamping fields, improved galvanized sheets are also bolstering steel's competitive position with other metals under corrosive conditions.

Reinforcing Bars . . .

Reinforcing Bar Prices, Page 142

Seattle—Mill operations are unchanged here. Order backlogs are down though a fair volume of small tonnages was booked over the last month. Several major projects involving reinforcing are up for early action.

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Sheets, Strip . . .

Sheet and Strip Prices, Page 143 & 144

Boston—Consumers are figuring costs closely. Price-wise, slit semi-bright finished sheets have until recently been bumping cold-rolled strip and more sheet users "make-do" with cold-rolled wasters. The latter, at 55 to 65 per cent of prime steel cost, find a ready market. Except for this price-buying, demand for flat-rolled carbon is slow with the pattern unchanged for April, namely fill-in orders geared to consumption.

Only in rare cases are consumers' production schedules up slightly. One range builder maintains enameling sheet requirements, but electrical sheets in coils are slow. Suppliers of automotive stamped parts lack normal forward commitments through second quarter.

Contributing to consumer need for lower cost is competitive pressure for lower fabricated product prices. An extreme case is 275-gallon household oil tanks. Fabricated from No. 12 gage hot-rolled pickled sheets, tanks are selling at about one-half the price prevailing only a few months back and inventories are substantial.

New York—While business continues slow, some sheet sellers believe there has been sufficient improvement over a sufficient length of time to indicate a definite uptrend. Most sellers say orders over the past three or four weeks have expanded slightly. This is particularly true in cold-rolled sheets. Orders now coming in for April encourage the belief the uptrend may continue during the new month. It is the definite opinion of some sheet sellers that the downtrend in business has given way to an upturn.

Pittsburgh—Mills expect some improvement in April sales, but there are open spaces in order books for that month. Optimistic predictions are based on belief ordering by automakers has reached a low point for first half.

Pittsburgh Steel Co.'s new cold-rolled mill at Allenport, Pa., shipped its first sheet ahead of schedule. Company officials think all March orders will be filled on schedule.

Cleveland—Consumers continue to order sparingly. Outlook for April volume still is considered promising, though business for the period has not developed in anything like the tonnage that had been anticipated. Heavy inventories still are being worked off by consumers. In view of the fact inventory liquidation has been going on for some months now, sheetmakers are of the opinion consumers shortly will have to sub-

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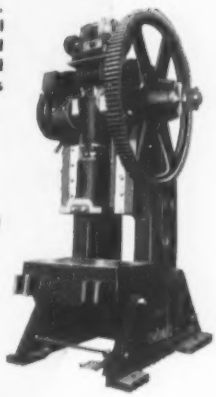

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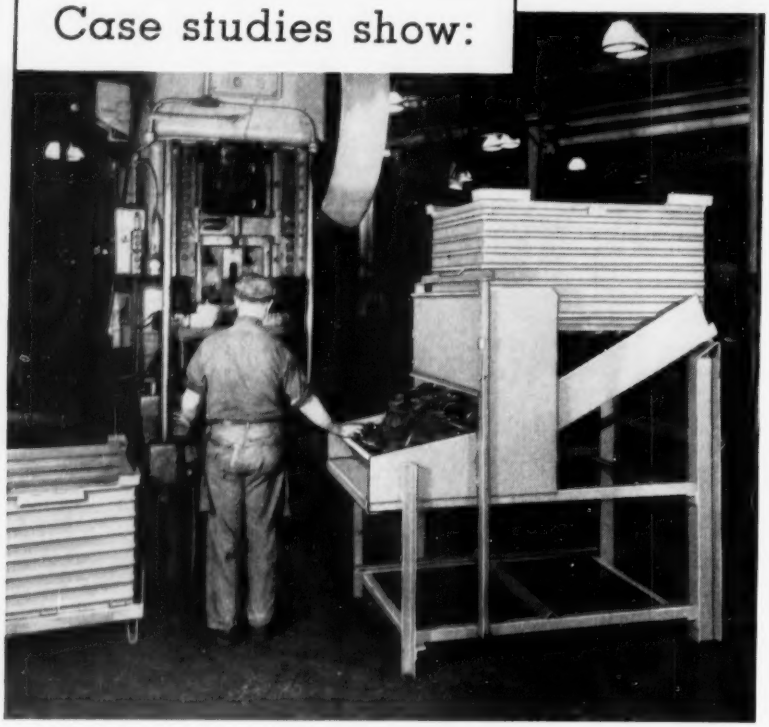

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Sheets, Strip . . .

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stantially enlarge purchases to care for the normal seasonal upturn in requirements.

Niles, O.—A new schedule of base prices and extras on titanium sheets, billets and bars, effective Mar. 1, is announced by the Mallory-Sharon Titanium Corp. The company quotes sheets $15 per pound, f.o.b. Niles; billets, $9 per pound; bars, $9 per pound.

Cincinnati—A minor reduction in sheet output has taken place in one of the larger mills in this area.

Detroit—Sheet sales in this area show an interesting pattern. Most auto companies have tended to reduce inventories during the last six months and are now extremely inventory conscious. The steel companies, in turn, have been moving in many instances to get their own inventories in order.

The easy steel picture has led auto companies to short delivery demands on the mills and additionally is finding many mills in other parts of the country being brought into the competition. With freight absorption in vogue, mills in the Detroit area find it difficult to increase their percentage of auto business.

Chicago—Auto manufacturers still hold back in specifying their sheet requirements for May. If an upturn in car assemblies is contemplated for late spring and early summer, increased commitments in steel shipments must come soon.

Los Angeles — Seasonal factors have boosted demand for flat-rolled. Sheetmakers expect second quarter volume to be 10 to 20 per cent higher than that in first quarter.

Steel Bars . . .

Bar Prices, Page 142

New York—Most sellers of hot carbon bars say that business is slightly improved compared with the daily rate in February. There is the feeling that April bookings will show further slight gain. An increasing number of rush orders is noted, indicating inventories have been allowed to get too low in some cases. Certain cold-drawers say business over the past month has been definitely more active. Warehouses have been specifying more freely, and industrial accounts are livelier. To date, however, deliveries continue easy. Where hot stock is on hand, converters can promise 2 to 3 weeks shipment and on certain stock items, prompt shipments.

Cleveland—Not much change in

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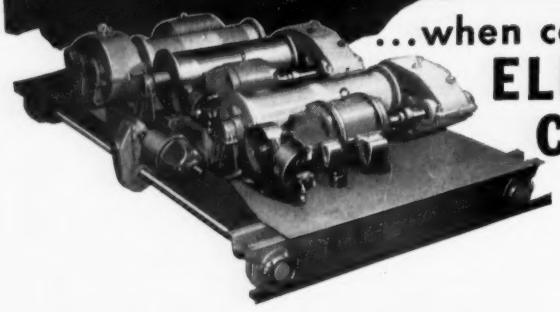

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Steel Bars . . .

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market conditions is noted in commercial steel bars. Mills can give prompt shipments and, as a result, consumers are inclined to order largely against needs as they arise. Absence of active automotive buying is keenly felt. Sellers are anxiously awaiting an upturn in demand from that direction. Generally, it is believed in the market that consumption is a lot heavier than is indicated by current buying, and that this means a spurt in ordering will develop once consumer inventories get down.

Boston—Changes in alloy extras, some up and others down, are accompanied by competitive selling with practically all tonnage moving at equalized prices, on both carbon and alloys. Grade extra reduction of $2 per ton on hot and cold-finished alloys with molybdenum 15 to 25 content is general. Stress relieving extra of 1.25c per pound on five grades of 400 series stainless bars and billets has been restored.

While bar demand is mostly for prompt shipment with more tonnage available from stock, buying for April is ahead of the March pace and a few orders are booked beyond.

Philadelphia—Sellers of hot-rolled carbon bars are a little more encouraged. Business is slow, but not so slow as it was. There are just enough signs to indicate that once mill deliveries begin to lengthen buying will spurt.

Inventories at some consumer plants have been allowed to get low. But as long as buyers can get tonnage on short notice they are not too concerned about replacing inventories. Cold-drawers report definite improvement.

Pittsburgh—Orders continue at a fair rate, but size of each order is small. March sales of cold-drawn bars may trail February tonnage. Several producers have trimmed operations to 3 or 4 days a week. More optimistic, in the view of producers, is the indication that fabricators' stocks are nearing a balance.

Plates . . .

Plate Prices, Page 142

Philadelphia—Some producers detect a mild though scarcely discernible uptrend in current trading. Others fail to note any increase, but agree buying is no worse, and demand is increasingly of a "rush" character, indicating consumer inventories are working down.

Pittsburgh—Sales are slowly dip-

ping, due to inventory adjustment rather than a weakness in requirements for plate. Ease of supply causes fabricators to cut stocks to a two-to-three week level.

Boston—Plate fabricating shops are booking more orders, mostly for tanks, but they are not buying all the tonnage needed to meet new requirements. Most are drawing from inventory. While current availability of plates continues, 2 to 3 weeks delivery on carbon grades, consumers are reluctant to buy in advance.

Weldment shops are operating on close schedules, buying sparingly, and the same applies to warehouses operating plate shops. For pulp and paper mill equipment, some moderate orders are placed. Mill schedules for April are wide open except for clad and a few specialties.

Los Angeles—Plate producers' order books are open for April. Currently tight, plate supplies are expected to improve by second quarter.

Seattle—Bids are in at Hanford Works for 4 water tanks involving in excess of 100 tons of plates. Several other tank projects are pending. Largest plate job is the oil pipeline from the Canadian border to Ferndale, Wash., for General Petroleum's refinery.

Tubular Goods . . .

Tubular Goods Prices, Page 145

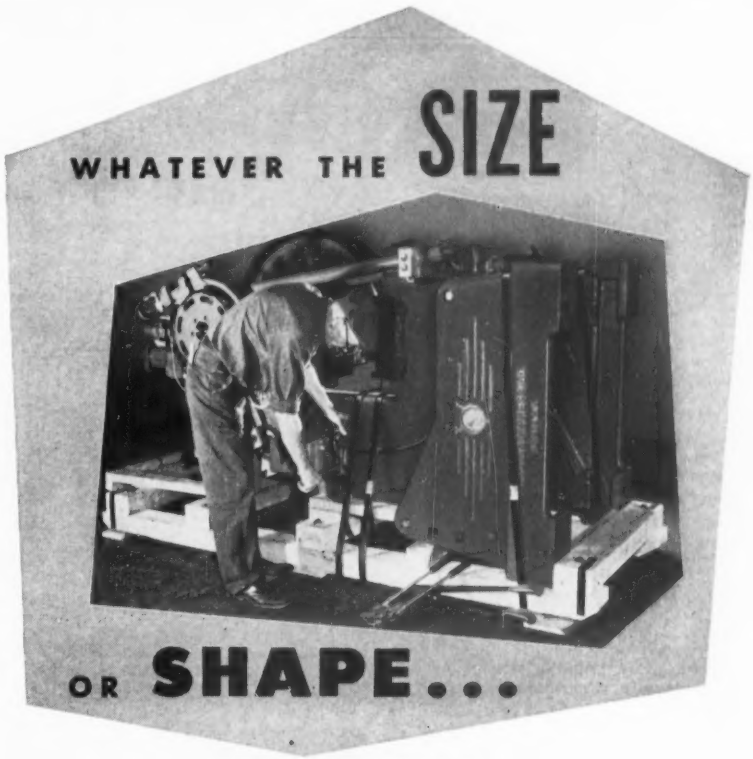
New York—U. S. Steel Export Co. announces the following new export price bases with freight included to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore; effective with shipments from mills Mar. 11:

American standard pipe, T & C, buttweld galvanized, 2½ and 3-inch, 17.65 per cent discount; buttweld galvanized, 3½ and 4-inch, 8.195 per cent discount; seamless galvanized pipe, 2-inch, plus 5.69 per cent discount; 2½-inch, plus 3.44 per cent; 3-inch, plus 0.94 per cent; 3½ and 4-inch, 0.56 per cent; 5-inch, plus 0.19 per cent; 6-inch, 2.31 per cent.

Pittsburgh — Oil country tubular goods continue to sell in strong volume but there is a drop in sales of line pipe.

San Francisco—Basalt Rock Co., Inc., Napa, Calif., which spent the bulk of $3,384,575 for capital additions in 1953 on a new pipe mill adjoining Kaiser Steel Corp.'s plant in Fontana, has a backlog of orders for all the company's products extending through June.

Seattle—Demand for cast iron pipe is slow but early improvement is expected as municipal seasonal requirements are covered.



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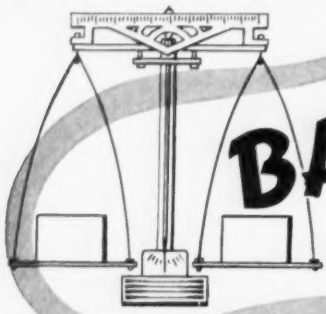

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Wire . . .

Wire Prices, Page 144

Pittsburgh—A "small landslide" of orders for merchant wire products swamped several manufacturers last week. The awaited seasonal upswing in demand for barbed wire, chain link fence and nails occurred suddenly. One mill, which had been taking orders for immediate delivery, began to book orders three weeks in advance. Distributors reentered the market to replenish their stocks. Demand for manufacturers wire remains low.

Boston — Slight improvement in wire demand holds. Moderate gains in demand for consumer products and near rock-bottom inventories account for replacement orders, including cold heading. As to inventory, most consumers are holding stocks to 30 to 45 days, and orders for early shipment. Spring wire, mechanical and upholstery, is bought on that basis, but March bookings ended up slightly ahead of estimates. Competition in some wire-made products, certain type of screws, including wood, and other small fastenings, has bogged down prices to the point producers are about trading dollars at the expense of profit margins.

Chicago—March business in manufacturers wire products probably will show an increase of between 10 and 15 per cent over January and February. April looks promising for further improvement. Merchant products too are up sharply but the influence is essentially seasonal. Warehouses are bolstering stocks to meet rural demands.

Structural Shapes . . .

Structural Shape Prices, Page 142

Pittsburgh—Building and construction here continue to make an excellent showing. New construction awards in 27 counties of western Pennsylvania had a value of nearly $26 million in January, a high mark for the month.

First orders for steel to be used in the Ohio turnpike are reported in this area. Structural shapes are no longer hard to obtain, but delivery may be slow on light wide flange beams.

New York—Structural demand is livelier and more diversified. There appears to be a particularly good spurt in small work. The largest new project in sight is the public coliseum for the Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority on which final plans have been filed, and on which structural bids may be asked within a couple

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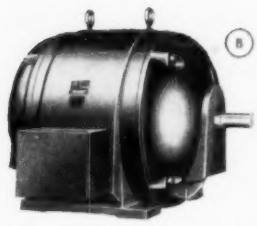

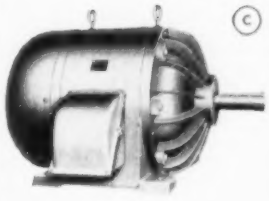

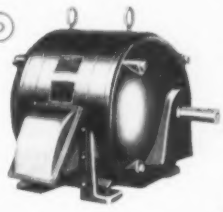

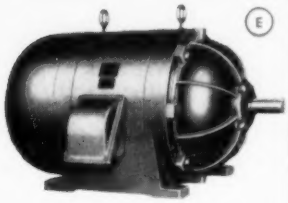

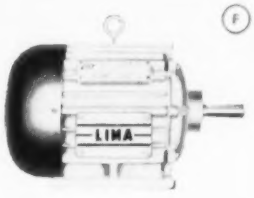

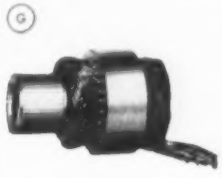

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MANGANESE ALLOYS

Spiegeleisen: (19-21% Mn, 1-3% Si). Carlot per gross ton $86, Palmerton, Pa.; $87 Clairton and Duquesne, Pa.

(16 to 19% Mn) $84 per ton, Palmerton, Pa.; $85 per ton, Clairton and Duquesne, Pa.

Standard Ferromanganese: (Mn 74-76%, C 7% approx.) Base price per net ton $200, Clairton, Duquesne, Johnstown and Sheridan, Pa.; Alloy, W. Va.; Ashtabula, Marietta, O.; Sheffield, Ala.; and Portland, Oreg.; add or subtract $2.00 for each 1% or fraction thereof of contained manganese over 76% or under 74%, respectively.

(Mn 79-81%) Lump $208 per net ton, f.o.b. Anaconda or Great Falls, Mont. Add $2.60 for each 1% above 81%; subtract $2.60 for each 1% below 76%, fractions in proportion to nearest 0.1%.

Low-Carbon Ferromanganese, Regular Grade: (Mn 85-90%). Carload, lump, bulk, max, 0.07% C, 27.95c per lb of contained Mn, carload packed 28.7c, ton lots 29.8c, less ton 31.0c. Delivered. Deduct 0.5c for max, 0.15% C grade from above prices, 1c for max, 0.30% C, 1.5c for max 0.50% C, and 4.5c for max 75% C—max 7% Si. **Special Grade:** (Mn 90% min, C 0.07% max, P 0.06% max). Add 2.05c to the above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

Medium-Carbon Ferromanganese: (Mn 80-85, C 1.5% max). Carload, lump, bulk 21.35c per lb of contained Mn, carload packed 22.1c, ton lot 23.2c, less ton 24.4c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Manganese metal, 2" x D (Mn 95.5% min, Fe 2% max, Si 1% max, C 0.2% max): Carload, lump, bulk, 36.2c per lb of metal; packed, 36.95c; ton lot 38.45c; less ton lots 40.45c. Delivered. Spot, add 2c.

Electromanganese: Min. carloads, 30c; 2000 lb to min. carloads, 32c; 250 lb to 1999 lb, 34c; less than 250 lb, 37c. Premium for hydrogen-removed metal, 1.5c per lb, f.o.b. cars, Knoxville, Tenn. Freight allowed to St. Louis or to any point east of Mississippi.

Silicomanganese: (Mn 65-86%). Contract, lump, bulk, 1.50% C grade, 18-20% Si, 11.4c per lb of alloy, carload packed, 12.15c, ton lots 13.06c, less ton 14.05c. Freight allowed. For 2% C grade, Si 15-17%, deduct 0.2c from above prices. For 3% C grade, Si 12-14.5%, deduct 0.5c from above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

TITANIUM ALLOYS

Ferrotitanium, Low-Carbon: (Ti 20-25%, Al 3.5% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Contract, ton lots 2" x D, $1.50 per lb of contained Ti; less ton $1.55. (Ti 38-43%, Al 5% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Ton lots $1.35, less ton $1.37, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to St. Louis. Spot, add 5c.

Ferrotitanium, High-Carbon: (Ti 15-18%, C 6-8%). Contract $177 per net ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to destinations east of Mississippi river and north of Baltimore and St. Louis.

Ferrotitanium, Medium-Carbon: (Ti 17-21%, C 2-4.5%.) Contract $195 per ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

CHROMIUM ALLOYS

High-Carbon Ferrochrome: Contract, c.l., lump, bulk 24.75c per lb of contained Cr; c.l. packed 25.65c, ton lot 26.80c, less ton 28.20c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Low-Carbon Ferrochrome: (Cr 67-72%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk, max, 0.025% C (Simplex) 34.50c per lb contained Cr, 0.03% C 36.50c, 0.04% C 35.50c, 0.06% C 34.50c, 0.10% C 34.00c, 0.15% C 33.75c, 0.20% C 33.50c, 0.50% C 33.25c, 1% C 33.00c, 1.50% C 32.85c, 2% C 32.75c. Carload packed add 1.1c, ton lot 2.2c, less ton add 3.9c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Foundry Ferrochrome, High-Carbon: (Cr 62-66%, C 5-7%). Contract, c.l. 8 M x D, bulk, 26.25% per lb contained Cr. Packed, c.l. 27.15c, ton 28.50c, less ton 30.25c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Foundry Ferrochrome, Low-Carbon: (Cr 50-54%, Si 28-32%, C 1.25% max). Contract, carload, packed, 8 M x D, 18.35c per lb of alloy; ton lot 19.2c; less ton lot, 20.4c, delivered; spot, add 0.25c.

Low-Carbon Ferrochrome Silicon: (Cr 34-41%, Si 42-49%, C 0.05% max.) Contract, carload, lump, 4" x down and 2" x down, bulk, 25.75c per lb of contained chromium plus 12.4c per pound of contained silicon: 1" x down, bulk 25.90c per pound of contained chromium plus 12.60c per pound of contained silicon. F.o.b. plant; freight allowed to destination.

Ferrochrome Silicon: No. 2: (Cr 36-39%, Si 26-39%, Al 7-9%, C 0.05% max). 25.75c per lb of contained chrome plus 12.4c per lb of contained silicon plus aluminum 3" x down, delivered.

Chromium Metal: (Min 97% Cr and 1% Fe) contract, 1" x D; packed, max 0.50%, carload $1.12, ton lots $1.14; less ton $1.16. Delivered. Spot, add 5c. Prices on 0.10 per cent carbon grade, add 4c to above prices.

VANADIUM ALLOYS

Ferrovanadium: Open-hearth Grade (V 35-55%, Si 8-12% max, C 3-3.5% max). Contract, any quantity, $3.00 per lb of contained V. Delivered. Spot, add 10c. **Crucible-Special Grades** (V 35-55%, Si 2-3.5% max, C 0.5-1% max), $3.10. **Primos and High Speed Grades** (V 35-55%, Si 1.50% max, C 0.20% max) $3.20.

Grainal: Vanadium Grainal No. 1, $1 per lb; No. 6, 68c; No. 79, 50c, freight allowed.

Vanadium Oxide: Contract, less carload lots $1.28 per lb contained V_2O_5, freight allowed. Spot, add 5c.

SILICON ALLOYS

25-30% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 20.0c per lb of contained Si, packed 21.40c; ton lot 22.50c f.o.b. Niagara Falls, freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

50% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 12.40c per lb of contained Si, carload packed 14.0c, ton lot 15.45c, less ton 17.1c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.45c.

Low-Aluminum 50% Ferrosilicon: (Al 0.40% max). Add 1.3c to 50% ferrosilicon prices.

75% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 14.3c per lb of contained Si, carload packed 15.6c, ton lot 16.75c, less ton 18.0c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.8c.

90-95% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 17.0c per lb of contained Si, carload packed 18.2c, ton lot 19.15c, less ton 20.2c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Silicon Metal: (Mn 97% Si and 1% max Fe) C.l. lump, bulk, regular 18.5c per lb of Si, c.l. packed 19.7c, ton lot 20.6c, less ton 21.6c. Add 0.5c for max, 0.10% calcium grade. Deduct 0.5c for max 2% Fe grade analyzing min 96% Si. Spot, add 0.25c.

Alsifer: (Approx. 20% Al, 40% Si, 40% Fe) Contract, basis f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., lump, carload, bulk, 9.90c per lb of alloy, ton lots packed 11.30c, 20 to 1999 lb 11.65c, smaller lots 12.15c.

ZIRCONIUM ALLOYS

12-15% Zirconium Alloy: (Zr 12-15%, Si 30-43%, Fe 40-45%, C 0.20% max). Contract, c.l. lump, bulk 8.0c per lb of alloy, c.l. packed 8.75c, ton lot 9.6c, less ton 10.35c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

35-40% Zirconium Alloy: (Zr 35-40%, Si 47-52%, Fe 8-12%, C 0.50% max). Contract, carload, lump, packed 20.25c per lb of alloy, ton lot 21c, less ton 22.25c. Freight allowed. Spot, add 0.25c.

BORON ALLOYS

Ferroboron: (B 17.50% min, Si 1.50% max, Al 0.50% max, C 0.50% max). Contract, 100 lb or more 1" x D, $1.20 per lb of alloy. Less than 100 lb $1.30. Delivered, spot add 5c. F.o.b. Washington, Pa., prices, 100 lb and over are as follows: Grade A (10-14% B) 85c per pound; Grade B (14-18% B) $1.20; Grade C (19% min B) $1.50.

Borosil: (3 to 4% B, 40 to 45% Si), $5.25 per lb contained B, delivered to destination.

Bortam: (B 1.5-1.9%). Ton lots, 45c per lb; smaller lots, 50c per lb.

Carbortam: (B 1 to 2%) contact, lump, carloads 9.50c per lb, f.o.b. Suspension Bridge, N. Y., freight allowed same as high-carbon ferrotitanium.

CALCIUM ALLOYS

Calcium-Manganese-Silicon: (Ca 16-20%, Mn 14-18% and Si 53-59%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 20.0c per lb of alloy, carload packed 20.8c, ton lot 22.3c, less ton 23.3c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Calcium-Silicon: (Ca 30-33%, Si 60-65%, Fe 1.50-3%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 19.0c per lb of alloy, carload packed 20.2c, ton lot 22.1c, less ton 23.6c. Deld. Spot, add 0.25c.

BRIQUETTED ALLOYS

Chromium Briquets: (Weighing approx. 3¾ lb each and containing exactly 2 lb of Cr). Contract, carload, bulk, 16.25c per lb of briquet, carload packed 16.95c, ton 17.75c, less ton 18.65c. Deld. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

Ferromanganese Briquets: (Weighing approx. 3 lb and containing exactly 2 lb of Mn). Contract, carload, bulk 12.45c per lb of briquet, c.l. packaged 13.25c, ton lot 14.05c, less ton 14.95c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

Silicomanganese Briquets: (Weighing approx. 3½ lb and containing exactly 2 lb of Mn and approx. ½ lb of Si). Contract, c.l. bulk 12.65c, per lb of briquet, c.l. packaged 13.45c, ton lot 14.25c, less ton 15.15c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching. Spot, add 0.25c.

Silicon Briquets: (Large size—weighing approx. 5 lb and containing exactly 2 lb of Si). Contract, carload, bulk 6.95c per lb of briquet. Packed c.l. 7.75c, ton lot 8.85c, less ton 9.45c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

(Small size—Weighing approx. 2½ lb and containing exactly 1 lb of Si). Carload, bulk 7.1c. Packed c.l. 7.9c, ton lot 8.7c, less ton 9.6c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching, small size only. Spot, add 0.25c.

Molybdic-Oxide Briquets: (Containing 2½ lb of Mo each) $1.14 per pound of Mo contained, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa.

TUNGSTEN ALLOYS

Ferrotungsten: (70-80%), 5000 lb W or more, $3.80 per lb of contained W; 2000 lb W to 5000 lb W, $3.90; less than 2000 lb W, $4.02, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y.

OTHER FERROALLOYS

Ferrocolumbium: (Cb 56-60%, Si 8% max. C 0.4% max.). Contract, ton lot, 2" x D, $9.50 per lb of contained Cb, less ton $9.55. Delivered. Spot, add 10c.

Ferrotantalum—Columbium: (Cb 40% approx., Ta 20% approx., and Cb and Ta 60% min, C 0.30% max) ton lots, 2" x D, $4.75 per lb of contained Cb plus Ta, deld.; less ton lots $4.80.

Silicaz Alloy: (Si 35-40%, Ca 9-11%, Al 6-8%, Zr 3-5%, Ti 9-11%, B 0.55-0.75%). Carload packed 1" x D, 45c per lb of alloy, ton lot 47c, less ton 49c. Delivered.

SMZ Alloy: (Si 60-65%, Mn 5-7%, Zr 5-7%, Fe 20% approx). Contract, carload, packed, ½" x 12 M, 17.5c per lb of alloy, ton lots 18.25c, less ton 19.5c. Deld. Spot, add 0.25c.

Graphidox No. 4: (Si 48-52%, Ca 5-7%, Ti 9-11%). C.l. packed, 17.50c per lb of alloy; ton lots 18.50c; less ton lots 20c, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y.; freight allowed to St. Louis.

V-5 Foundry Alloy: (Cr 38-42%, Si 17-19%, Mn 8-11%). C.l. packed 15c per lb of alloy; ton lots 16.50c; less ton lots 17.75c, f.o.b., Niagara Falls; freight allowed to St. Louis.

Simanal: (Approx. 20% each Si, Mn, Al; bal. Fe). Lump, carload, bulk 14.50c. Packed c.l. 15.50c, ton lots, 15.75c, less ton lots, 16.25c per lb of alloy. Delivered.

Ferrophosphorus: (23-25% based on 24% P content with unitage of $4 for each 1% of P above or below the base); carloads, f.o.b. sellers' works, Mt. Pleasant, Siglo, Tenn., $90 per gross ton.

Ferromolybdenum: (55-75%). Per lb contained Mo, f.o.b. Langeloth, $1.32 in all sizes except powdered which is $1.41; Washington, Pa., furnace, any quantity $1.32.

Technical Molybdic-Oxide: Per lb. contained Mo, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa., $1.14 in cans; in bags, $1.13, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa.; Washington, Pa., $1.13.

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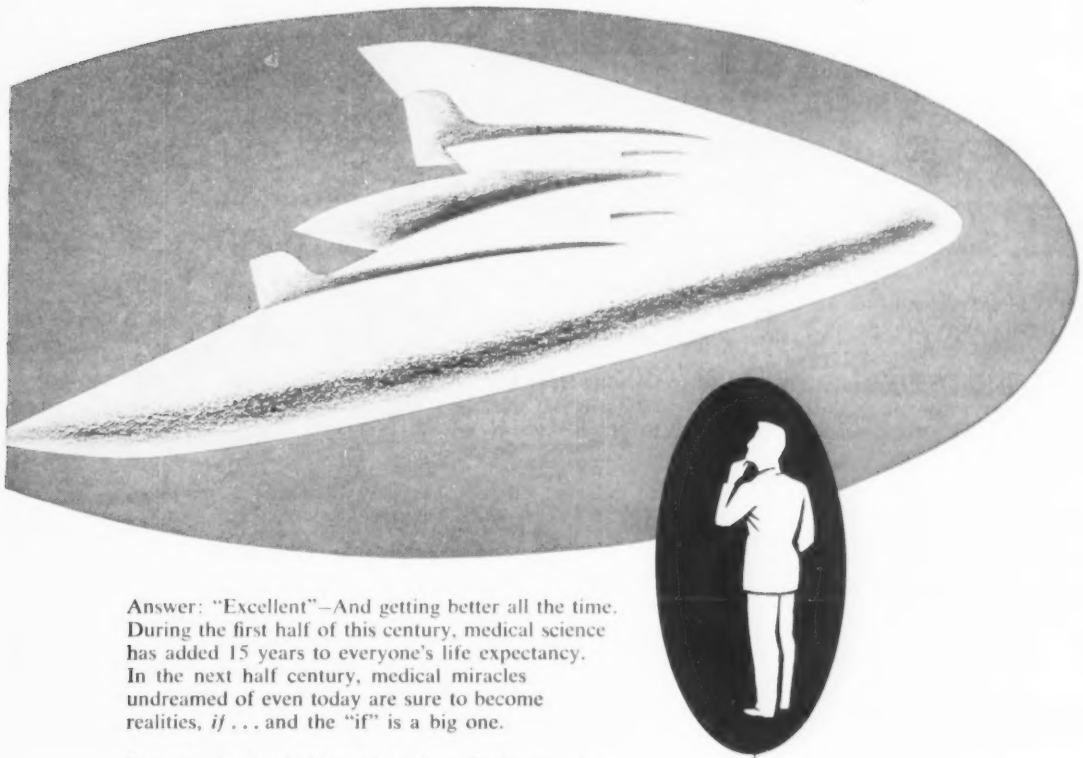

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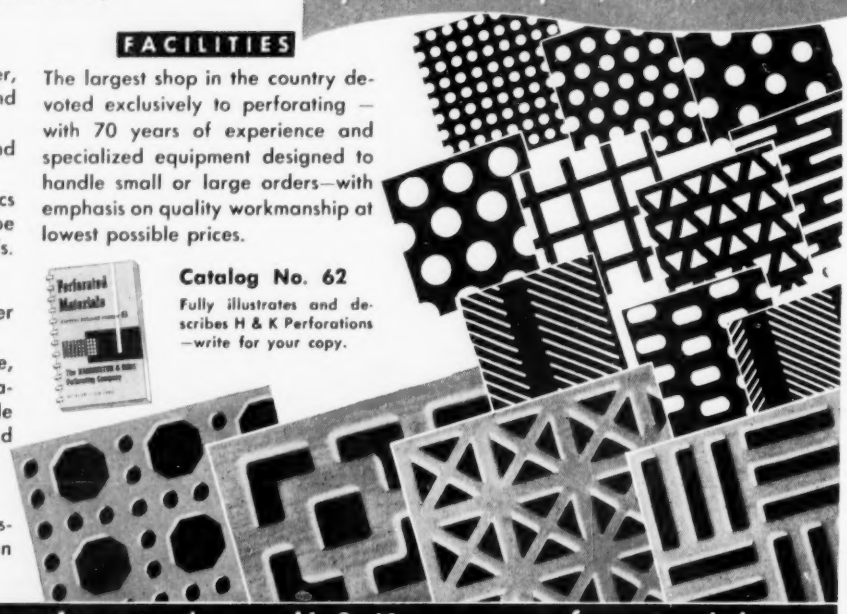

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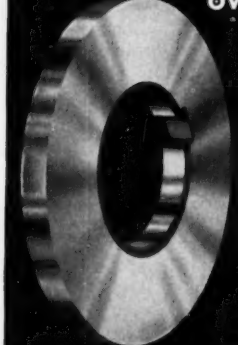

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Old range bessemer	$10.30
Old range nonbessemer	10.15
Mesabi bessemer	10.05
Mesabi nonbessemer	9.90
Open-hearth lump	11.15
High phosphorus	9.90

The foregoing prices are based on upper lake rail freight rates, lake vessel freight rates, handling and unloading charges, and taxes thereon which were in effect on June 24, 1953, and increases or decreases after such date are for buyer's account.

Eastern Local Iron Ore

Cents per unit deld. E. Pa.

Foundry and basic 56-62% concentrates contract	17.00-18.00

Foreign Iron Ore

Cents per unit, c.i.f. Atlantic ports

Swedish basic, 60 to 68%	22.00
North African hematite (spot)	20.00-22.00
Brazilian iron ore, 68-69% (spot)	25.00

Tungsten Ore

Net ton unit, before duty

Foreign Wolframite min. 60%, WO_3	23.80
Domestic scheelite, mine	63.00

Manganese Ore

Mn 48%, nearby, $1.12 per long ton unit, c.i.f. U. S. ports, duty for buyer's account; 46-47%, $1.05-$1.07.

Chrome Ore

Gross ton, f.o.b. cars, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Charleston, S. C., plus ocean freight differential for delivery to Portland, Oreg., or Tacoma, Wash.:

Indian and African

48% 2.8:1	$40.00-$42.00
48% 3:1	44.00-46.00
48% no ratio	32.00-34.00

South African Transvaal

44% no ratio	$24.00-$26.00
48% no ratio	34.00

Domestic

(Rail nearest seller)

48% 3:1	$39.00

Molybdenum

Sulphide concentrate, per lb, Mb content mines, unpacked	$1.00

Antimony Ore

Per unit of Sb content, c.i.f. seaboard

50-60%	$2.40-$2.80
65% min.	$3.40-$3.50

Vanadium Ore

Cents per lb. V_2O_5 content, deld. mills

Domestic	31.00

REFRACTORIES

Fire Clay Brick

High-Heat Duty: Pueblo, Colo., $89; Ashland, Grahn, Hayward, Hitchins, Haldeman, Olive Hill, Ky., Athens, Troup, Tex., Beech Creek, Clearfield, Curwensville, Lock Haven, Lumber, Orviston, West Decatur, Pa., Bessemer, Ala., Farber, Mexico, St. Louis, Vandalia, Mo., Ironton, Oak Hill, Parral, Portsmouth, O., Ottawa, Ill., Stevens Pottery, Ga., Woodbridge, N. J., $109; Salina, Pa., $114; Niles, O., $120; Los Angeles, Pittsburg, Calif., $132.30.

Silica Brick

Standard: Alexandria, Claysburg, Mt. Union, Sproul, Pa., Ensley, Ala., Portsmouth, O., $115; Warren, O., Hays, Pa., $120; Niles, O., $120; E. Chicago, Ind., Joliet, Rockdale, Ill., $125; Cutler, Utah, $116.55; Los Angeles, $122.85.

Insulating Fire Brick

2300° *F:* Massillon, O., $178.50; Clearfield, Pa., $213; Augusta, Ga., Beaver Falls, Zelienople, Pa., Mexico, Mo., $206; Vandalia, Mo., $214.10; Portsmouth, O., $207.50; Bessemer, Ala., $212.80.

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Sleeves

Reesdale, Pa., $139.70; Johnstown, Pa., $140; Clearfield, Pa., $148.50; St. Louis, $151.80; Athens, Tex., $155.

Nozzles

Reesdale, Pa., $223.50; Johnstown, Pa., $229.20; Clearfield, Pa., $241.40; St. Louis, $247.10; Athens, Tex., $247.70.

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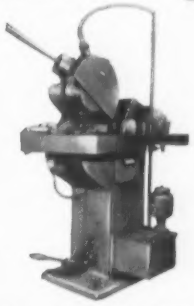

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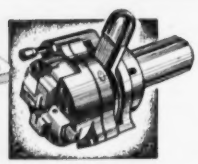

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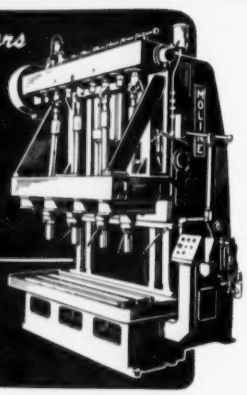

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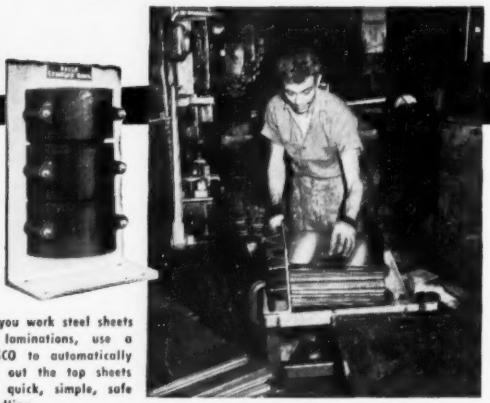

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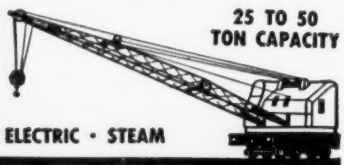

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Structural Shapes . . .

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of months. According to some preliminary estimates, the project will require more than 20,000 tons.

Boston—With estimates in on two hangars, 4500 tons, airfield base construction, mostly at Portsmouth, N. H., and Bedford, Mass., supports fabricated structural steel inquiry. Bridges and other public projects, chiefly schools, hospitals and institutions, loom as heavy consumers with some decline in private and industrial building.

Philadelphia — Structural awards are confined principally to projects running less than 100 tons each. These are subject to much competition among the smaller shops. The larger fabricators are sharpening their pencils, for while they have backlogs of several months, they also are interested in some of the smaller projects which they can work into their schedules.

Chicago—Although heavy building construction is strong and has every prospect for continuing so, structural mills are catching up with their orders. Generally, shipments of shapes are in the range of 2 to 4 weeks.

Pig Iron . . .

Pig Iron Prices, Page 146

New York—Feeling in the trade is a little better, but merchant pig iron sellers report no improvement in sales. Some doubt if April business will mark any particular turn for the better. Nevertheless, the majority of sellers believe if a betterment doesn't come in April it will do so in May.

Buffalo—Increased use of hot metal for ingot production is a major factor in holding pig iron production at the present level. Reports from foundries are not too encouraging.

Philadelphia — Pig iron business shows little improvement. Gray iron shops still operate on a restricted basis except for the pipe foundries. The larger of the two stacks at Swedeland, Pa., is expected to go down around the middle of next month for repairs.

Certain of the larger pipe shops in this area are showing more interest in foreign iron, but so far as can be learned no new buying developed. Foreign offerings are principally from Germany, Spain and Sweden, and average around $48 to $49 on cars, duty paid, Philadelphia, which is substantially lower than domestic prices.

Cleveland—Merchant pig iron demand continues sluggish though some foundries are taking in tonnage in substantial volume right along. However, foundry operations in general are spotty and this is reflected in a tendency to order pig iron needs as they arise.

Chicago—Foundry melt in March has brighter aspects and pig iron shipments will exceed the previous two months. There is evidence consumers have reduced stocks to the bone, since sellers are getting occasional calls for small tonnages for quick shipment. Active blast furnaces in the district at 32 of 43 is lowest since February 1950.

Iron Ore . . .

Iron Ore Prices, Page 163

Cleveland—Stocks of iron ore on lower lake docks and at furnaces totaled 36,385,842 gross tons on Mar. 1, reports the Lake Superior Iron Ore Association. This compares with 41,974,242 tons on Feb. 1, and with 29,948,749 tons on Mar. 1, 1953.

Consumption of lake ore during February amounted to 5,786,725 gross tons. This was a decline compared with 6,995,621 tons in January, and was off sharply compared with consumption of 7,395,994 tons in February a year ago.

On Mar. 1 147 blast furnaces out of a total of 204 in this country and Canada were active. This compares with 148 on Feb. 1, and with 192 on Mar. 1, 1953.

Youngstown—U. S. Steel Corp.'s Ohio Works here will put into operation about Apr. 10 the first of two new ore bridges being built as part of a multi-million dollar expansion. The bridges will handle about 3320 tons of ore per hour, giving better blending and speedier service.

STRUCTURAL SHAPES . . .

STRUCTURAL STEEL PLACED

21,500 tons, Socony-Vacuum office building, Lexington Ave. and Forty-second St., New York, through Turner Construction Co. to American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh.

5800 tons, concentrating plant, Erie Mining Co., Aurora, Minn., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

1100 tons, building, Rust Craft Corp., Dedham, Mass., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.; Aberthaw Construction Co., Boston, general contractor.

872 tons, bridge, state thruway, Orange county, New York, to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

740 tons, south east wing, research laboratory, General Electric Realty Corp., Schenectady, N. Y., through Topper & Griggs, to Bethlehem Fabricators, Bethlehem, Pa.

700 tons, office and factory building, General Electric Realty Corp., Holland, Mich., to Mississippi Valley Structural Steel Co., St. Louis.

670 tons, medical school residence, Yale University, New Haven, Conn., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.; Dwight Building

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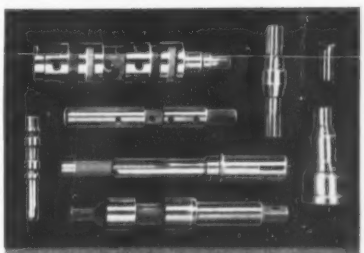

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630 tons, high school, Uniondale, N. Y., through Leon D. De Matties Construction Co., to the Mansfield Iron Works, St. Louis.

230 tons, office, Morristown, N. J., through Walter Kidde Construction Inc., to the LaFayette Iron Works, Jersey City, N. J.

200 tons, substation steel, to Screw Machine Products Co., Portland, Oreg., low $54,970, to Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, Oreg.

200 tons, galvanized transmission towers, Connecticut Light & Power Co., Southbury, Conn., to Blaw-Knox Co., Pittsburgh.

165 tons, state bridge, Middlesex county, New Jersey, through J. F. Chapman & Son, to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

160 tons, addition, St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, Pa., to Bethlehem Contracting Co., that city.

100 tons, rebuilding state highway truss bridge, Montague, Mass., to Haarmann Structural Steel Co., Holyoke, Mass.; Warner Co., Sunderland, Mass., general contractor.

STRUCTURAL STEEL PENDING

18,740 tons, bridges, West Virginia turnpike; bids Mar. 30; to be let under one contract No. 47, or three separate contracts, Charleston, W. Va.

2300 tons, double cantilever maintenance hangar, Larson Air Field; James U. Barnes Construction Co., Seattle, low $1,973,494 to U. S. Engineer, Walla Walla, Wash.

990 tons, state bridge, Allegheny county, Pittsburgh, bids Apr. 15.

680 tons, state highway bridge, Charlemont, Mass.; Daniel O'Connells' Sons Co., Holyoke, Mass., low, general contract.

250 tons, George creek bridge, Skagit power project; bids to Seattle, Apr. 20.

250 tons, Cowlitz river bridge, Washington state; Poole, McGonigle & Dick, Portland, Oreg., low $73,413, to Bureau of Public Roads, Portland, Oreg.

250 tons, substructure, Kingston-Rhinecliff bridge over the Hudson river, New York State Bridge Authority, bids Apr. 20; also 1350 tons of reinforcing steel and 100,000 linear feet of steel bearing piles.

225 tons, 4-span slab bridge on I-beams, F. E. Everett turnpike, Nashua, N. H.; bids Mar. 31, Concord, Mass.; also 85 tons, reinforcing bars, and 20 tons, steel bearing piles.

113 tons, also steel piling, Idaho state Sandpoint bridge; bids to Boise, Idaho, Apr. 6.

110 tons, 87-foot welded deck plate girder bridge, Pennichuck brook, Nashua-Merrimack, N. H.; bids Apr. 1, Concord, also 65 tons, steel bearing piles.

Unstated tonnage, $30,000,000 public coliseum, Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority, New York, request for bids expected in about two months; project which will be located west of Columbus Circle will have four exhibition halls totaling 272,562 square feet, and a 20-story office building; excavation for certain foundation work will begin at once.

REINFORCING BARS . . .

REINFORCING BARS PLACED

240 tons, canal lining project, Columbia Basin, to Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle.

240 tons, grain elevator, Grass Valley, Oreg., to Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle.

120 tons, Sacred Heart Hospital, Spokane, Wash., to Soule Steel Co., Portland, Oreg.

REINFORCING BARS PENDING

2000 tons, Seattle postoffice terminal; bids in.

1350 tons, substructure, Kingston-Rhinecliff bridge over the Hudson river, New York State Bridge Authority, bids Apr. 20; also required are 250 tons of structural steel and 100,000 linear feet of steel bearing piles.

800 tons, Idaho state Sandpoint bridge; bids to Boise, Idaho, Apr. 6.

270 tons, maintenance hangar, Moses Lake, Wash., Larson Air Field; bids in to U. S. Engineer, Walla Walla, Wash.

200 tons, Washington Athletic Club addition, Seattle; bids Mar. 23.

135 tons, laboratory, Ladd Air Field, Alaska; Chris Berg, Seattle, low.

125 tons, 5 bridge foundations, section 2, Augusta extension, Maine turnpike, Grey and New Gloucester, Me.

115 tons, also miscellaneous, Idaho state bridge, Bingham county; bids to Boise, Idaho, Apr. 6.

PLATES . . .

PLATES PLACED

100 tons, H-piling, Scott Paper Co., deep water pier, Everett, Wash., to Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle.

PLATES PENDING

500 tons or more, 10 steel material barges; bids in to Corps of Engineers, Memphis, Tenn.

100 tons plus, four storage tanks, 100,000-gal. each, Hanford Atomic Works; W. E. Caldwell Co., Louisville, Ky., low $77,690 to Atomic Energy Commission.

100 tons, storage tank, Weyerhaeuser Timber Co., Longview, Wash.; American Pipe & Construction Co., Portland, Oreg., low.

PIPE . . .

CAST IRON PIPE PLACED

5495 tons, water main and appurtenances, Queens, New York, through Tibbets Contracting Co., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

350 tons, 4 to 8-in. water mains, for Marysville, Wash., to Pacific States Cast Iron Pipe Co., Seattle, low $51,514.

STEEL PIPE PENDING

Unstated, 2045 feet 18-in. water mains; bids to R. G. Fredekind, clerk, Moscow, Idaho.

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RAILROAD CARS PLACED

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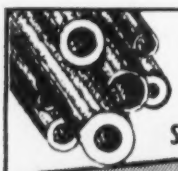
Union Pacific, 20 dome passenger cars, to American Car & Foundry Co., New York.



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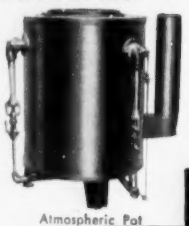

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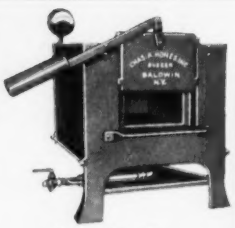

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Scrap Market Tone Slightly Firmer

Price decline on steelmaking grades appears to be halted at least temporarily. Trade resisting further drop though little new buying is in evidence to provide support

Scrap Prices, Page 168

Washington—Scrap for consumption (purchases plus home scrap production) in January was 544,000 tons or 11 per cent less than in December, reports the Bureau of Mines. This, coupled with a decline in production of pig iron led to a slight reduction in inventories of ferrous materials in spite of the lowest consumption, exclusive of strike months, since March, 1950.

Stocks of ferrous scrap held by consumers decreased 128,000 tons from December, totaling 6,257,000 tons. This was the first decrease since October. The 34,000 ton reduction in stocks of pig iron, 2,466,000 tons, was the first in nine months. Scrap supplied 48 per cent of the total charge of ferrous materials in January; this compares with 51 per cent for the year 1953.

Cleveland—Despite the absence of active mill buying prices on steelmaking grades of scrap are unchanged. Indications are the long decline in the market at least has been temporarily halted, resistance to further decline reflecting renewed hopes of a spring revival in steelmaking operations and the fact that collections are discouraged by the low prices prevailing.

Pittsburgh—Market sources believe prices have reached rock bottom, although small purchases of blast furnace grades could probably be made slightly below prevailing quotations. With no improvement in orders, scrap collection has slowed to about half the rate of last year.

Buffalo—Sentiment is somewhat improved among scrap dealers who are hoping for a break in the mill buying stalemate. Continued active buying of cast scrap by Canadian consumers is a factor for renewed strength in the market.

Cincinnati—Purchase of machine shop turnings and short shovel turnings pushed up prices $1 and $2 a ton, respectively. No. 1 railroad heavy melting also appears stronger, and is quoted $1 higher. The flow of scrap has dried up at present price levels.

Chicago—A stronger position for No. 2 heavy melting steel and No. 1 dealer bundles has developed here in an otherwise colorless scrap market. The former is up $1 to $23 a ton, and the latter advanced $3 in the last week on a mill purchase to $27. Supply of No. 2 heavy melting has pretty well dried up since little auto wrecking is being done currently. Without a market for No. 2 bundles incentive for preparing and handling dealer material is lacking.

Philadelphia — Prices on major grades of open-hearth scrap again are unchanged with a little buying of No. 1 heavy melting and No. 1 bundles at $22, No. 2 heavy melting at $20 and No. 2 bundles at $18.

Some sellers believe the decline has about run its course, although admitting there hasn't been enough trading to provide the market with a real test.

Detroit — Scrap prices are unchanged in this area but the general feeling in the market is that the bottom of the decline has about been reached. Most observers expect some upturn in purchasing now that spring is here and bargain hunters realize prices will probably rise.

Birmingham—Dealers and brokers report virtual absence of scrap demand. Prices are weak and still tending downward. A small volume of melting steel continues to move to other districts.

Los Angeles—Scrap movement is moderate. Slight quickening of demand is not enough to cause any change in prices.

New York—Elements of strength are appearing in scrap. Railroads are holding on to more of their scrap, little yard scrap is being collected, and yardmen appear unwilling to sell bundled scrap at prices that cost them more to bale than they actually receive.

Brokers, having increasing trouble covering on scrap already sold, are discarding minimum prices and are offering a flat price of $14 for No. 1 heavy melting steel and No. 1 bundles, $12 on No. 2 heavy melting, and $10 for No. 2 bundles.

Boston—Steel scrap prices, shipping point, are at a level on some grades where the cost of hauling to normal large consuming points is higher than that paid for tonnage at originating yards. This is applicable to heavy melting to Pittsburgh and Sparrows Point where the rail freights, including federal tax, are $12.74 and $9.87, respectively.

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(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting	25.00-26.00
No. 2 heavy melting	23.00-24.00
No. 1 bundles	25.00-26.00
No. 2 bundles	21.00-22.00
No. 1 busheling	25.00-26.00
Machine shop turnings	12.00-13.00
Mixed borings, turnings	12.00-13.00
Short shovel turnings	16.00-17.00
Cast iron borings	16.00-17.00
Cut structurals	27.00-28.00
Heavy turnings	26.00-27.00
Punchings & plate scrap	27.00-28.00
Electric furnace bundles	28.00-29.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	35.00-36.00
Charging box cast	33.00-34.00
Heavy breakable cast	30.00-31.00
Unstripped motor blocks	24.00-25.00
No. 1 machinery cast	42.00-43.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	*27.50-28.50*
Rails, 2-ft. and under	*44.00-45.00*
Rails, 18-in. and under	*45.00-46.00*
Rails, random lengths	*38.00-39.00*
Railroad specialties	34.00-35.00

Stainless Steel Scrap

(F.o.b. shipping point)

18-8 bundles & solids	165.00-170.00
18-8 turnings	85.00-90.00
430 bundles & solids	85.00-87.00
430 turnings	60.00-62.00

CLEVELAND

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting	20.00-21.00
No. 2 heavy melting	18.00-19.00
No. 1 bundles	20.00-21.00
No. 2 bundles	15.00-16.00
No. 1 busheling	20.00-21.00
Machine shop turnings	8.00-9.00
Mixed borings, turnings	12.00-13.00
Short shovel turnings	12.00-13.00
Cast iron borings	12.00-13.00
Low phos.	22.00-23.00
Alloy free, short shovel turnings	13.00-14.00
Electric furnace bundles	20.00-21.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	37.00-38.00
Charging box cast	23.00-24.00
Stove plate	33.00-34.00
Heavy breakable cast	22.00-23.00
Unstripped motor blocks	21.00-22.00
Brake shoes	27.00-28.00
Clean auto cast	38.00-39.00
No. 1 wheels	30.00-31.00
Burnt cast	27.50-28.50
Drop broken machinery	38.00-39.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	25.00-26.00
R.R. malleable	38.00-39.00
Rails, 3-ft. and under	41.00-42.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	44.00-45.00
Rails, random lengths	37.00-38.00
Cast steel	32.00-33.00
Railroad specialties	32.00-33.00
Uncut tires	34.00-35.00
Angles, splice bars	38.00-39.00
Rails, rerolling	38.00-39.00

Stainless Steel

(F.o.b. shipping point)

18-8 bundles, solids	nom. 160.00-170.00
18-8 turnings	nom. 70.00-80.00
430 clips, bundles, solids	nom. 70.00
430 turnings	40.00-50.00

YOUNGSTOWN

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting	23.00-24.00
No. 2 heavy melting	20.00-21.00
No. 1 bundles	23.00-24.00
No. 2 bundles	18.00-19.00
Machine shop turnings	9.00-10.00
Short shovel turnings	15.00-16.00
Cast iron borings	15.00-16.00
Low phos.	25.00-26.00
Electric furnace bundles	24.00-25.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	26.00-27.00

PHILADELPHIA

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting	22.00
No. 2 heavy melting	20.00
No. 1 bundles	22.00
No. 2 bundles	18.00
No. 1 busheling	22.00*
Electric furnace bundles	23.00-23.50
Machine shop turnings	11.00
Mixed borings, turnings	11.00
Short shovel turnings	16.00*
Structurals & plate	26.00-27.00
Heavy turnings	20.00
Couplers, springs, wheels	30.00
Rail crops 2 ft & under	40.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	34.00-35.00
Malleable	38.00-39.00
Heavy breakable cast	36.50-37.50
Unstripped motor blocks	28.00*
Drop broken machinery	40.00

NEW YORK

(Brokers' buying prices)

No. 1 heavy melting	*14.00*
No. 2 heavy melting	*12.00*
No. 1 bundles	*14.00*
No. 2 bundles	*10.00*
Machine shop turnings	4.00*
Mixed borings, short turnings	6.00*
Low phos. (structural & plate)	20.00
Short shovel turnings	8.00-9.00*

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	29.00-30.00
Unstripped motor blocks	21.00-22.00*

Stainless Steel

18-8 sheets, clips, solids	160.00-165.00
18-8 borings, turnings	75.00-80.00
430 sheets, clips, solids	40.00
410 sheets, clips, solids	30.00

*Nominal.

BOSTON

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 heavy melting	13.25-15.00
No. 2 heavy melting	9.25-11.25
No. 1 bundles	13.25-14.25
No. 2 bundles	7.25-9.25
Machine shop turnings	3.00-3.50
Mixed borings, turnings	3.00-3.50
Short shovel turnings	6.50-7.00
No. 1 cast	29.00-30.00
Mixed cupola cast	27.00-28.00
No. 1 machinery cast	36.00-37.00

CINCINNATI

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 heavy melting	22.00-23.00
No. 2 heavy melting	18.00-19.00
No. 1 bundles	22.00-23.00
No. 2 bundles	16.00-17.00
No. 1 busheling	22.00-23.00
Machine shop turnings	*9.00-10.00*
Mixed borings, turnings	10.00-11.00
Short shovel turnings	*12.00-13.00*
Cast iron borings	10.00-11.00
Low phos., 18-in.	29.00-30.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	35.00
Heavy breakable cast	29.00
Charging box cast	30.00
Drop broken machinery	40.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R., heavy melt.	*26.00-27.00*
Malleable	32.00-33.00
Rails, 18-in. and under	42.00-43.00
Rails, random lengths	34.00-35.00

CHICAGO

No. 1 heavy melting	25.00-26.00
No. 2 heavy melting	*22.00-23.00*
No. 1 factory bundles	26.00-27.00
No. 1 dealer bundles	*26.00-27.00*
No. 2 bundles	17.00-19.00
No. 1 busheling	24.00-26.00
Machine shop turnings	9.00-10.00
Mixed borings, turnings	9.00-10.00
Short shovel turnings	11.00-12.00
Cast iron borings	11.00-12.00
Cut structurals, 3-ft	29.00-30.00
Punching & plate scrap	29.00-30.00
Electric furnace bundles	28.00-29.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	32.00-34.00
Stove plate	27.00-28.00
Unstripped motor blocks	22.00-23.00
Clean auto cast	36.00-38.00
Drop broken machinery	36.00-38.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	*27.50-28.50*
R.R. malleable	*39.00-40.00*
Rails, 2-ft. and under	40.00-41.00
Rails, 18-in. and under	41.00-42.00
Angles, splice bars	35.00-36.00
Rails, rerolling	*34.00-35.00*

Stainless Steel Scrap

18-8 clips & solids	130.00-140.00
18-8 turnings	60.00
430 clips & solids	42.00
430 turnings	22.00-25.00

DETROIT

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 heavy melting	16.00
No. 2 heavy melting	14.50
No. 1 bundles	17.00
No. 2 bundles	14.50
No. 1 busheling	17.00
Machine shop turnings	5.00
Mixed borings, turnings	5.00
Short shovel turnings	8.00
Punchings & plate scrap	19.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	36.00
Charging box cast	25.00
Stove plate	28.00
Heavy breakable	25.00
Unstripped motor blocks	18.00
Clean auto cast	40.00
Malleable	28.00

BUFFALO

No. 1 heavy melting	23.50-24.50
No. 2 heavy melting	20.50-21.00
No. 1 bundles	23.50-24.50
No. 2 bundles	18.50-19.00
No. 1 busheling	23.50-24.50
Machine shop turnings	11.00-12.00
Mixed borings, turnings	13.00-13.50
Short shovel turnings	15.00-15.50
Cast iron borings	13.00-13.50
Low phos.	27.50-28.50

Cast Iron Grades

(F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	33.00-34.00
No. 1 machinery	37.00-38.00

Railroad Scrap

Rails, random lengths	31.50-32.50
Rails, 2-ft and under	36.50-37.50
Railroad specialties	34.50-35.50

BIRMINGHAM

No. 1 heavy melting	19.00-20.00
No. 2 heavy melting	17.00-18.00
No. 1 bundles	19.00-20.00
No. 2 bundles	15.00-16.00
No. 1 busheling	19.00-20.00
Cast iron borings	13.00-14.00
Short shovel turnings	14.00-15.00
Machine shop turnings	12.00-13.00
Electric furnace bundles	25.00-26.00

Cast Iron Grades

(F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	39.00-40.00
Charging box cast	28.00-29.00
Stove plate	36.00-37.00
Bar crops and plate	28.00-29.00
Structural, plate 2 ft	28.00-29.00
Heavy breakable cast	28.00-29.00
Unstripped motor blocks	32.00-33.00
No. 1 wheels	45.00-46.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	23.00-24.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	39.00-40.00
Rails, random lengths	32.00-33.00
Angles, splice bars	35.00-36.00
Stand. steel axles	35.00-36.00

ST. LOUIS

(Brokers' buying prices)

No. 1 heavy melting	24.00
No. 2 heavy melting	22.00
No. 1 bundles	24.00
No. 2 bundles	19.00
Machine shop turnings	6.00
Short shovel turnings	8.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	35.00
Charging box cast	26.00
Heavy breakable cast	23.00
Unstripped motor blocks	23.00
Brake shoes	30.00
Clean auto cast	37.00
Stove plate	27.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	29.00
Rails, 18-in. and under	36.00
Rails, random lengths	33.00
Rails, rerolling	35.00
Uncut tires	30.00
Angles, splice bars	33.00

SEATTLE

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting	*23.00*
No. 2 heavy melting	*19.00*
No. 1 bundles	22.00
No. 2 bundles	16.00
No. 3 bundles	13.00
Machine shop turnings	11.50
Mixed borings, turnings	11.50
Short shovel turnings	11.50
Electric furnace, No. 1	35.00

Cast Iron Grades

(F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	35.00-37.00
Heavy breakable cast	25.00-32.00
Unstripped motor blocks	23.00
No. 1 wheels	*21.00*
Stove plate (f.o.b. plant)	29.00

Railroad Scrap

(Delivered consumer plant)

Rails, random lengths	30.00-34.00

SAN FRANCISCO

No. 1 heavy melting	20.00
No. 2 heavy melting	16.00
No. 1 bundles	19.00
No. 2 bundles	16.00
No. 1 busheling	20.00
Machine shop turnings	5.00
Mixed borings, turnings	5.00
Short shovel turnings	9.00
Cast iron borings	9.00
Cut structurals	25.00
Heavy turnings	9.00
Punchings & plate scrap	25.00
Electric furnace bundles	19.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	39.00
Charging box cast	35.00
Stove plate	37.00
Heavy breakable cast	36.00
Unstripped motor blocks	29.00
Brake shoes	35.00
Clean auto cast	39.00
No. 1 wheels	39.00
Burnt cast	23.00
Drop broken machinery	43.00

LOS ANGELES

No. 1 heavy melting	20.00
No. 2 heavy melting	16.00
No. 1 bundles	18.00
No. 2 bundles	16.00
Machine shop turnings	5.00

Cast Iron Grades

(F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	35.00-38.00

HAMILTON, ONT.

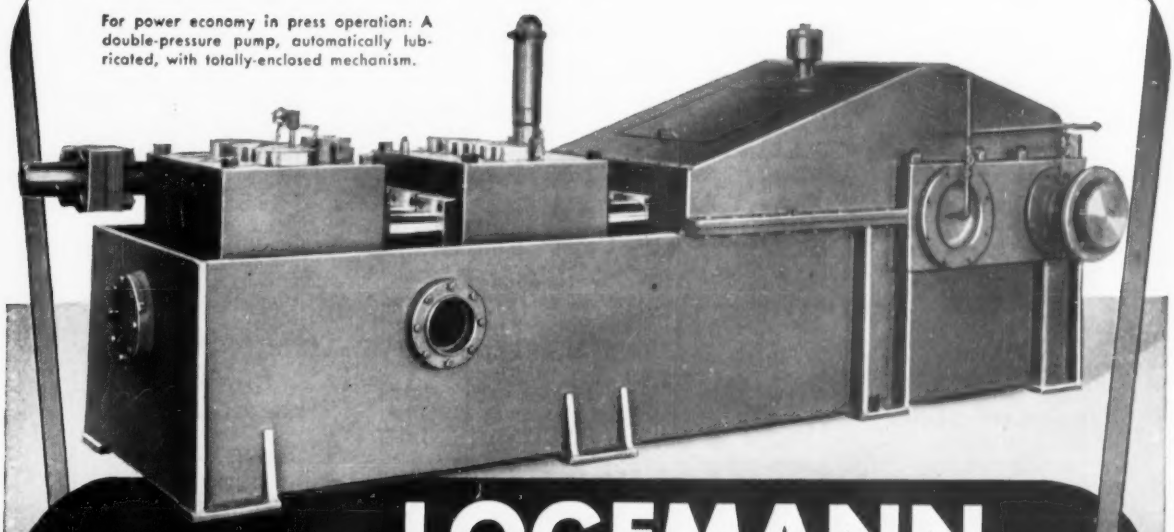
(Delivered prices)

No. 1 heavy melting	$23.00
No. 2 heavy melting	21.00
No. 1 bundles	23.00
No. 2 bundles	18.00
Mixed steel scrap	18.00
Mixed borings, turnings	13.00
Rails, remelting	33.00
Busheling, new factory: Prepared	22.00
Unprepared	18.00
Short steel turnings	13.00

Cast Iron Grades†

No. 1 machinery cast	42.00

†F.o.b., shipping point.



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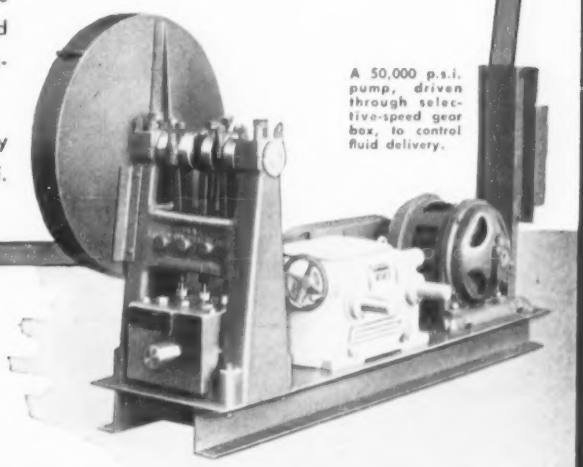

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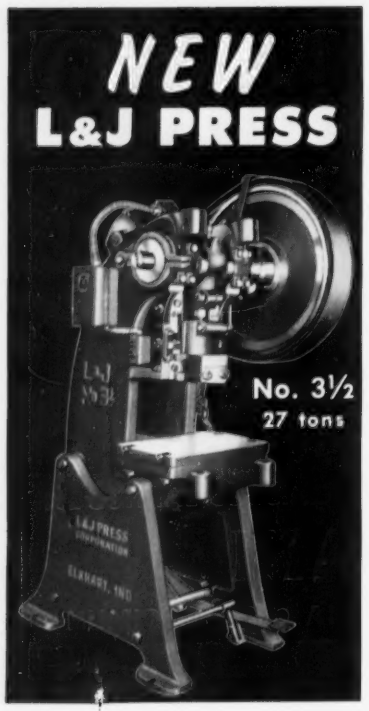

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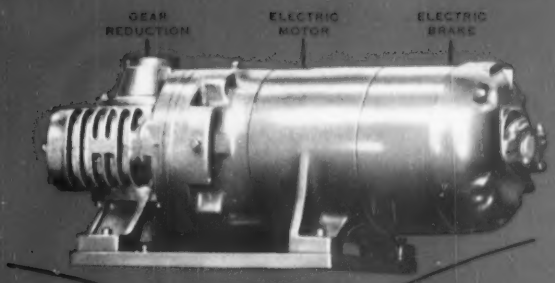

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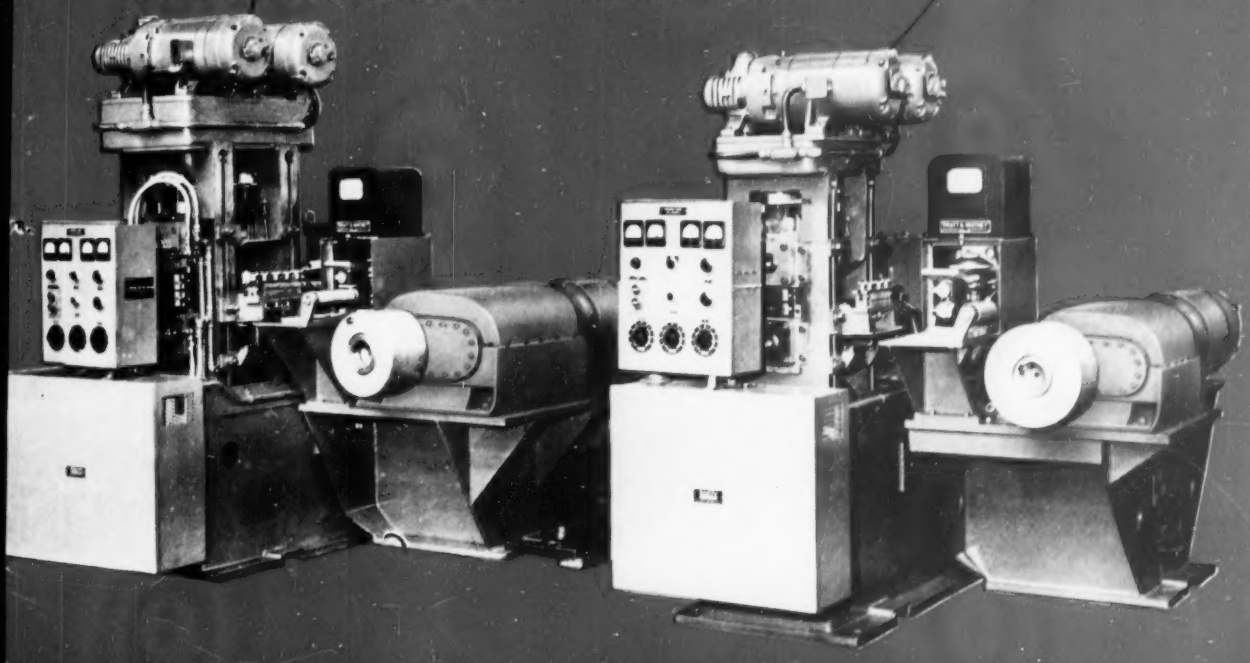

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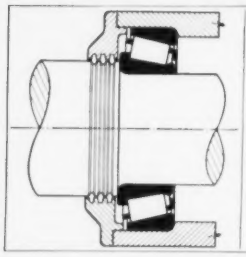

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